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STILL "ALIVE AND KICKING"

THERE are continued and very distinct signs that the general interest in "our subject" is picking up again, and the quantity of material now "in the pipeline" for publication in our Journal is truly phenomenal. And we thank our friends everywhere who are in the main responsible for this.

One notable feature is the great increase in the number of items reaching us from overseas, and parallel with this has come the considerable rise in the number of our Consultants and Correspondents. Sadly we have had to record, during the last five years, the loss by death of four irreplaceable members of the team, and the names of Hynek, Gibbs-Smith, Cade, and Hennell are no longer on our Mast-Head. But nevertheless we perceive on all sides a marked desire to stand up solidly, particularly against the Mendacious Brigade of the Media and Officialdom, and to close the ranks. Many old bridges have been repaired by us, and many new ones constructed. Forty-six new names have been added on this page, and there are still more to come.

We see far less run-of-the-mill short reports of fly-overs, lights-in-the sky, and so on, and we have dropped the former *World-Round-Up Section,* because it was frankly very tiresome to prepare while, as we suspect, pretty boring to most folk. Prior to the days when the Russians had their first *sputnik* up there, any curious or astonishing craft or phenomenon must surely be — we thought — "alien", but that is hardly so today, for our skies are crammed with mankind's own ironmongery, and we are less interested now in odd reports of the old sort, and more interested in general trends, signs of motivation, patterns of behaviour, and so on. As for Lists and Catalogues, some will continue to find their principal pleasure in that direction, while others may feel that, even if we go on cataloguing

until we are blue in the face, we still will not have learned anything thereby. And there, of course, looms the Big Problem. For, as Dr Allen Hynek once remarked, *"If the FLOOR of THEIR Science is too much higher than the CEILING of OUR Science, how can we hope to know much?"*

SAVED BY JUPITER

Gordon Creighton

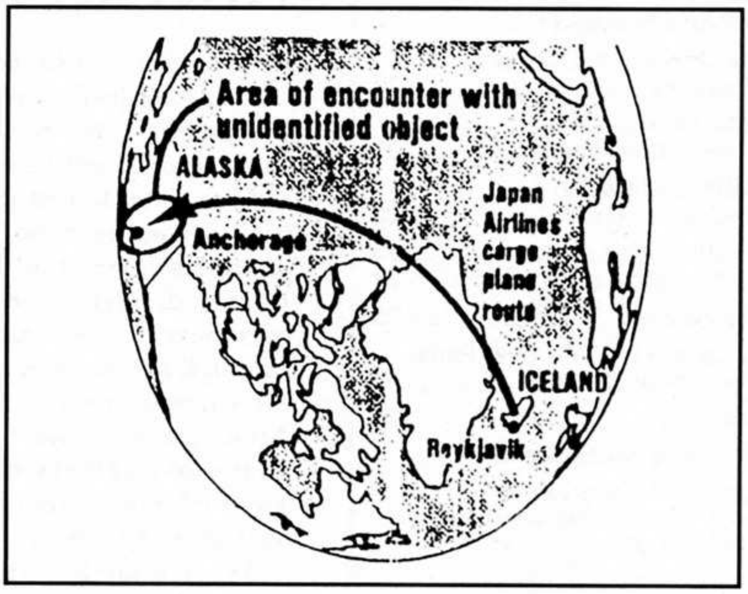
At the end of last year word leaked out that, soon after sundown on November 17, 1986, the three-man crew of a Japan Air Lines *Boeing 747* cargo flight had had an unusual encounter over Alaska. The pilot, Captain Kenju Terauchi (one of JAL's most experienced, with 29 years of service and an enormous number of flying hours) was taking a load of new Beaujolais wine from Paris to Tokyo via Iceland and Alaska when, as he reported to the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration on landing at Anchorage, Alaska, he and his co-pilot and his flight-engineer observed the lights of what seemed to be one very large unidentified object and two smaller ones, which followed them for 400 miles, vanishing only just before they put down at Anchorage. Having reported the sighting by radio, Captain Terauchi was instructed to descend from 35,000 ft. to 31,000 ft. and make a 360-degree circle, but he said this made no difference as the objects were not shaken off. Terauchi said the weather had been fine and clear at the time and they were cruising at 525 knots and had just crossed from Canadian airspace to Alaskan in the region just north-east of Fort Yukon, when they perceived three lights which seemed to be about eight miles ahead of them. They were stalked for about 32 minutes and the lights had "stayed close to them". According to the ground flight controller at Anchorage the large unknown object had come to within five miles of them. The large object showed clearly on Terauchi's own on-board weather radar, but the two smaller objects had not shown on it and had only been observed visually.

"Of Extra-terrestrial Origin"

Captain Terauchi said he was quite unable to explain the affair "but speculated that they had seen something of extra-terrestrial origin and of a more advanced technology. He said he was amazed that the objects moved so quickly and stopped suddenly, calling them 'two small ships and the mother ship'." (Report published in *The Times,* London, January 6, 1987.)

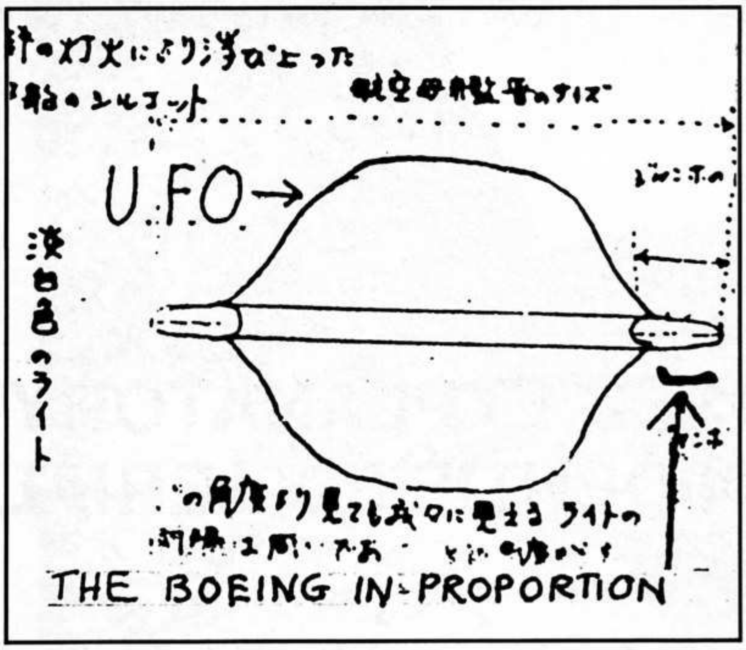
Wide Press-Coverage

Between December 30, 1986, and January 14, 1987, this cat was well and truly "out of the bag", and the affair got reported remarkably widely in the American and British press. According to the American weekly, *Newsweek* (January 12) and several Californian newspapers, Terauchi had told the American FAA authorities that the large craft *"was very big — two times bigger than an aircraft-carrier".* He sketched it as *"a huge, dark, walnut-shaped globe with a wide, flat rim, and bulges above and below".* Californian newspapers quoted Paul Steucke, the FAA spokesman at Anchorage, as having said that Terauchi had described it as *"having a diameter of perhaps two aircraft-carriers placed end to end".* Those who have FSR Volume 5, No. 1 (January/February 1959) should look at the pictures on page 3, of the huge craft of this identical shape which was photographed by the Brazilian naval photographer Barauna aboard the Brazilian naval training ship *Almirante Saldanha* on January 16, 1958, when that vessel was near the Island of Trindade (a rocky uninhabited islet off the Brazilian coast — not Trinidad in the British West Indies).



Coloured Lights — But No Red One

The evening sky over Alaska was completely clear when Captain Terauchi and crew first spotted the three lights ahead of them, at a distance of, as they thought, some eight miles or so. According to FAA spokesman Paul Steucke, Terauchi said *"these three lights were respectively yellow, amber, and green. But*



The Pilot's sketch.

there was no red light among them — this being the international colour for aircraft beacons".

What is perhaps the most interesting aspect of the whole affair is that, according to the account published in various Californian newspapers, Paul Steucke also admitted on January 4 that the Federal Aviation Administration *"had looked at the case about six weeks earlier"* (i.e. at about the time of the occurreence) . . . *"but since then we've gotten a lot of public interest, so we went back and re-interviewed the pilot.")*

So they had hoped to hush it up, but unfortunately for them one of the Japanese crew talked, and the cat was now out of the bag, and was proving to be quite an embarrassment until a good excuse could be found for it.

Paul Steucke said (*Newsweek,* January 12) that both U.S. Air Force flight controllers and civilian controllers "had reported briefly seeing echoes of what might have been another aircraft near the JAL machine. but when the radar tapes covering the period were replayed by the FAA investigators, the reported echoes could not be found."

In conclusion, Steucke said: "It's a mystery . . . but, really . . . we have nothing here to investigate. The controller saw what he saw . . . As for what it could have been, on the extreme side it could have been the proverbial 'unknown object', or possibly a military aircraft from the United States, Canada, or some foreign country."

And, he added, *"The U.S. Air Force is now attributing the supposed radar sightings to 'clutter'."*

Terauchi's Second Sighting

Then — oh horror of horrors — a week later (*Daily Express,* London, January 14, 1987) Captain Terauchi was reporting a *second close encounter!* He told FAA officials that on the morning of Sunday, January 11, when flying from London to Anchorage, he had again seen strange lights, which approached his jet liner from in front and passed beneath it, re-appearing at the rear.

"Ice-Crystals"?

By January 14, however, officialdom seemed to have the situation well under control again. According to the *Daily Express,* of that date, the American experts were saying that this second sighting by Terauchi was *"caused by light reflected from ice-crystals below the aircraft".*

(If my memory is not at fault, it must be about fifteen years since we last heard of a UFO that was "ice crystals".)

Thank God, then, as we thought at the time, for "ice crystals", and for "clutter", faithful old stand-bys, both of them!

Solved At Last

But, in the end, it looks as if the last and best word has come of course from Mr Philip Klass, one of the USA's two top experts on the non-existence of UFOs. And the authoritative London *Times* (January 29, 1987) has disposed of the whole pesky problem with the following neat little item:–

> **BY JUPITER**
> New York (AP). — A Japan Air Lines pilot who claimed to have seen an unidentified flying object alongside his aircraft last November actually saw an unusually bright image of the planet Jupiter and possibly Mars, according to Mr Philip Klass, an investigator of UFO claims.

Fuller Reports From Consultants Awaited

Two of FSR's Consultants, the NASA scientist Dr Richard F. Haines, PhD., of California, and former Japanese *Kamikazi* pilot Yusuke Matsumura, have already sent us *preliminary* reports on this case, but we must await the fuller accounts that both have promised before we say more on the case.

Meanwhile, can we not all heave a sigh of relief and cry "THANK GOD FOR JUPITER!" *Have we not all felt, for years past, that Venus was being badly overworked?* Time after time we have seen poor old Venus called in to do the job. Not so long ago, I recall, it was Venus when *two* large bright globes were seen sailing over Greece. And, as readers can see for themselves from our latest Russian report which we publish on page 12, it was poor old Venus away back there in 1912 and 1913! We are all sure that a little rest for

her will be very welcome. Who isn't deeply grateful to Comrade Klass for having thought of Jupiter in the nick of time!

AFTERTHOUGHT: We can commend Jupiter's interest in an excellent wine, and confirm that the current lot of *Beaujolais nouveau* definitely seems to be a cut above the usual.

Over Trindade Island January 16, 1958 ▶

A REVIEW OF PROPOSED EXPLANATORY HYPOTHESES FOR UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL PHENOMENA

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How Creative Man Can Be To Conceal His Ignorance

(Dedicated, at the express request of the Author, to the Memory of his Friend and Mentor, Dr. J. Allen Hynek, April 10, 1986.)

Introduction

A large number of explanations for directly sensed (i.e., not recorded automatically) unidentified aerial phenomena (also called unidentified flying objects, UFO) have been given over the years. Most explanations reflect the personal biases as well as the educational and cultural backgrounds of the authors. It is instructive to review these hypotheses in order to ensure that all reasonable theories have been considered. Alleged photographic, radar, or other instrumented data collection is not dealt with.

This paper presents the most prominent UFO hypotheses which may be broken down into a number of different categories. The simplest breakdown is:

Terrestrial	Extraterrestrial

According to this breakdown, the stimulus for reports of unidentified aerial phenomena may be traced to earthly or outer space origins. There are many variations within each category. Another breakdown merely adds sub-categories to the above two.

Terrestrial	Extraterrestrial
Human Origin/	Humanoid Origin/
Natural Origin	Natural Origin

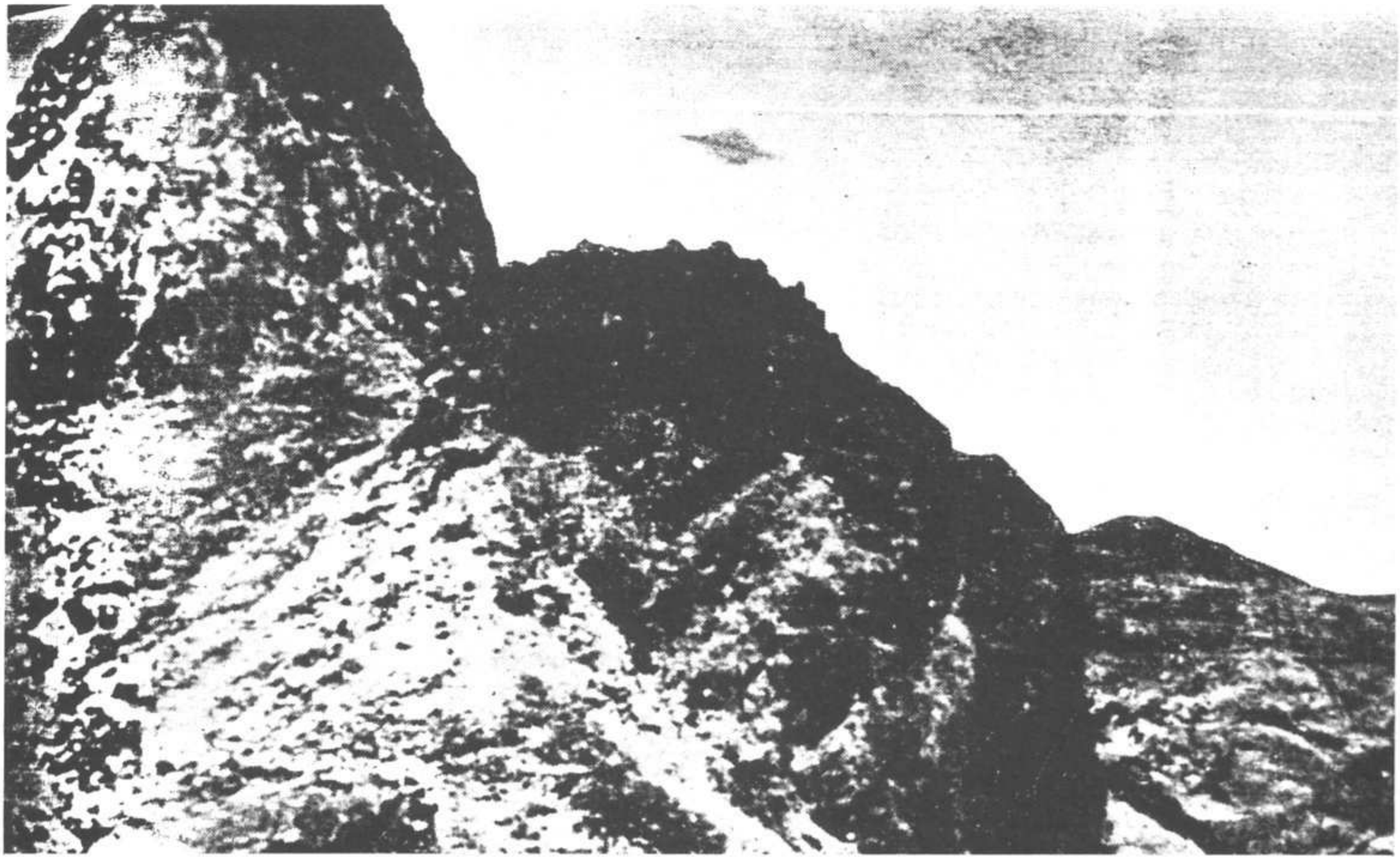
Of course the *natural origin* category may well be the same in both cases and would be addressed by such academic disciplines as earth sciences, physics, engineering, astronomy, or astrophysics. The *terrestrial — human origin* category would be addressed by the behavioral scientist (Haines, 1979), psychiatrist, military expert, and/or (government) security expert. However, there is now no specific scientific field available for studying the *extraterrestrial — humanoid origin category*. This raises some fundamental problems, since a growing number of UFO reports involve extraterrestrial (E.T.) humanoid creatures associated with the aerial phenomena (cf. Bowen, 1969).

In the following section a listing of explanatory hypotheses is given which breaks down existing UFO hypotheses into even smaller sub-categories.

UFO Explanatory Hypotheses

A. Man-Made Objects
  1. Aircraft
  2. Balloons
  3. Fireworks
  4. Flares
  5. Kites
  6. Missiles and rocket tests
  7. Models (research or hoaxes)
  8. Orbital satellites
  9. Parachutes
  10. Radar chaff (reflections)
  11. Secret (flying) weapons

B. Man-Caused Luminous or Reflective Events (innocent act or deliberate hoax)
  1. Low earth atmosphere tests (e.g., Barium release tests)
  2. Laser beams on clouds, fog, rain, airborne objects (reflections)
  3. Lights (all kinds) on tall structures (e.g., water tanks)



4. Plasma (research) experiments
5. Searchlights on clouds, fog, rain, airborne objects (reflections)
6. Static electricity discharge (e.g., from power lines)

C. Man-Caused Perceptual, Psychological, Social Experiences
1. Cold war tactic (deliberate diversionary tactic)
2. Control system (cultural manipulation)
3. Covert activity (liquor smuggling, military exercises, etc.)
4. Drug experience
5. Hypnotic implant (UFO details implanted into persons to cause them to believe they had a real experience; Keel, 1970)
6. Magnetic field interaction with central nervous system
7. Microwave interaction with central nervous system
8. Psychic forces (UFO experiences are manifestations of some forces) (from the collective unconscious of mankind; Clark & Coleman, 1975)

D. Intra-Personal
1. Birth trauma memories
2. Delusions
3. Dreams
4. Drug experience flashback, etc.
5. "Floaters" within the eye
6. Hallucinations in waking state (physical stimulus triggers subconscious to produce a vision; Monnerie, 1979)
7. Hypnotically triggered imagery by oneself
8. Phosphenes (Finch, 1970)
9. Psychic projection (Clark & Coleman, 1975)
10. Sleep interface state imagery (e.g., hypnopompic, hypnogogic imagery (Basterfield, 1981)

E. Known Natural Phenomena
1. Air pressure/temperature inversions/differential related (mirages, lenticular clouds) Condon, 1969; Keel, 1970)
2. Astronomical (planets, stars, comets, meteors, sundogs, fireballs, other)
3. Atmospheric (wind) effects (e.g., dust devils, stationary whirlwind)
4. Auroras/Northern Lights
5. Ball lightning
6. Birds in flight
7. Dust related (direct viewing or optical scattering)
8. Earth crust dynamics related (e.g. short-term luminous plasma) (Altschuler; Persinger, 1979)
9 Earth surface related (e.g., swamp gas)
10. Electrostatic discharge (e.g., high tension power line arcing)
11. Fog, mist related (direct viewing or optical scattering)
12. Insects (swarming, in flight) (Callahan & Mankin, 1978)
13. Lightning related (electrostatic discharge)
14. St. Elmo's Fire (also known as "Saint Erasmus' Fire")

F. Unsubstantiated Natural Phenomena
1. Earthlight phenomenon (Devereux)
2. Hyperspace (some matter/energy transformation occurs which enters man's realm of experience)
3. Parallel universe (also called "Shadow universe") (Nature; New Scientist, 1985)
4. Photic "bacteria" (Earth intercepts highly advanced biological life-form from deep space source(s) that transmit their "desired effect" through coded light energy via any intelligence (man) capable of decoding it and, thereby, being influenced by it)
5. Superstring theory (Green & Anthony, 1985)

G. Extraterrestrial (categorized by apparent motives toward humans)

Positive Motives
1. Biological interaction (E.T. are interbreeding with humans)
2. Psychological interaction (Projections of dream-like sequences into the mind; Keel, 1970)
3. Human (individual) advancement (e.g., Aetherian Society; Raelian concept, Vorihlon, 1979)
4. Human (individual) religious formation (E.T. has come to bring a new religion)
5. Societal development (e.g., Alien Peace Corps; Binder, 1967) (Clarion hidden planet; Wilson, 1974)
6. Societal rescue (E.T. has come to save man from his self-destructive tendencies; Wilson, 1974)

Neutral Motives
6. Ancient astronaut (Agrest, Misraki, von Däniken, *et al*)
7. Anthropological studies (E.T. is studying man for anthropological purposes)
8. Bioenergetic aura (some individuals' bodies emanate different "fields" of energy which make it possible for E.T. to track/interact with them; Edwards, 1970)
9. Cosmic psychic force(s) (visions are created telepathically by "The Phenomenon" which is able to extract information from man's subconscious; Rogo, 1980)

10. Display (UFOs are deliberate displays to mankind for some unknown reason; Salisbury, 1974)
11. Dying race (E.T. have come to survey Earth as a possible new home) (Binder, 1967)
12. Future visitors (E.T. are "humans" visiting from our own future) (Binder, 1967)
13. Mapping of Solar System/Galaxy, etc. (Fletcher)
14. Hollow earth (E.T. live inside Earth; openings at poles; Shaver)
15. Paraphysical (UFOs are ultraterrestrial transmogrifications of energy and matter; Keel, 1969)
16. Quarantine (E.T. has placed Earth in quarantine to prevent us from negatively influencing other regions; Binder, 1967)
17. Radiant beings (E.T. are non-material beings in Van Allen Belt sometimes forced to Earth for their safety; Palmer)
18. Reflective hypothesis (UFO phenomena are tailored to man's individual beliefs and attitudes; Keel, 1969)
19. Secret society (E.T. live in remote regions on Earth, e.g., Siberia, etc. with unknown motives)
20. Spore (E.T. planted micro-organisms on earth in near/ancient past times)
21. Tourist (E.T. are on vacation and happen to visit earth)
22. Undersea (E.T. live within oceans, lakes, other bodies of water)
23. Vacuum creatures (E.T. are space animals living in Earth's upper atmosphere, materializing and dematerializing at will; Bessor)
24. Zoo (E.T. is (or already has) bred with mankind for their own purposes)

Negative Motives

25. Control system (E.T. is carrying out long-range behavioral conditioning; Vallée, 1975) (Cosmic Consciousness Conditioning; Sprinkle, 1976)
26. Cultural manipulation (E.T. use man's prejudices, supersititions, etc. to achieve "their" own ends)
27. Food supply (E.T. are cannibals seeking new protein sources or just basic nutritional sources)
28. Subversion (E.T. intend to invade and conquer Earth)

H. Miscellaneous Concepts

1. Bee analogy (E.T. overall activity resembles beehive that doesn't make sense to man as yet; Keel, 1970)
2. Bioenergy entities (E.T. are animals living in ether above Earth, can transform themselves into any form; Constable, 1976)
3. Gate theory (E.T. and craft have a different atomic structure. A gate opens/closes periodically permitting their entry to earth; Finch, 1980)
4. Gulf theory (E.T. are so advanced in technology man can never comprehend them or their purpose; Binder, 1967)
5. Interdimensional beings (E.T. exist in a different dimension than man; Downing; Keel, 1970; Wilson, 1974)
6. Modern Myth (Jung, 1959)
7. Mothman (Keel, 1970)
8. Sky people (E.T. are from another dimension, travelling through hyperspace; Le Poer Trench, 1960)

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AN AERIAL INVASION: OR WHAT DID THEY SEE, SEVENTY YEARS AGO?

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Readers will recall that in FSR 29/3 (1984) we published the very interesting article *"Newly Discovered 'Airship' Waves over Poland"*, by one of our American readers, Mr Thomas E. Bullard of Bloomington, Indiana. Our Consultant/Correspondent in the USSR, Dr. V.V. Rubtsov of Kharkov, has now sent us the text of a piece of equally interesting research by two Russian historians, a young Ukrainian named A.V. Beletskiy and the late Dr. V.B. Vilinbakhov.

Like Bullard's article, this Soviet contribution deals with the activities of unknown "aircraft" over Europe during the critical years 1912/1913 — that is to say, on the eve of the Great Disaster of 1914. As time goes by it is probable that more and more light will be thrown on the link that exists between the UFOs — or *some* of them — and the two terrible World Wars which were unquestionably designed to destroy Western Civilization and which, in some way as yet unfathomed (although we can *guess* at it!) they may actually have been preparing! EDITOR

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LONDON: House of Commons. "Winston Churchill, replying to questions, stated that a flying machine had passed over Sheerness on the evening of November 1. Orders were given for searchlights to be directed at it. The craft did not land. No markings indicative of nationality had been observed."

ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA. "Mystery aircraft. The War Ministry and the Ministry of the Interior have both been looking into the question of the increasingly frequent flights of mysterious aeroplanes over the South-West. From enquiries conducted by the aviation societies and by the military authorities it has been established that these flights were not made by Russian airmen. The two Ministries are now gathering material for a circular which they will issue instructing all rural police forces to oblige any airmen observed by them to land forthwith, failing which they are to be fired upon."

BUCHAREST. During the period from January 1, 1913 to July 1, 1913, the Rumanian Government banned foreign aircraft from crossing the Rumanian frontier with a warning that any pilot violating the order and failing to land instantly, when commanded by signal from the ground to do so, would be fired upon by the armed forces.

VIENNA: The Army Corps commanders in Przemyśl and Lvov have decided to fire upon foreign aircraft, as these have been appearing frequently over Przemyśl and Yaroslav and Kraków during December and January last.

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WHAT WAS GOING ON! WHO CAUSED THESE OFFICIAL NOTIFICATIONS TO BE PUT IN THE NEWSPAPERS? FOR THEY ALL RELATE TO THE CLOSE OF THE YEAR 1912 AND THE BEGINNING OF 1913, WHEN AVIATION WAS STILL IN A RUDIMENTARY STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT. EVEN THE MOST ADVANCED COUNTRIES ONLY POSSESSED A FEW DOZEN AEROPLANES OF VERY IMPERFECT CONSTRUCTION, CAPABLE OF FLYING ONLY SHORT DISTANCES, AND ONLY IN FINE WEATHER.

Even the very idea of any sort of strategic reconnaissance from the air had not yet entered the mind of anyone, and at the very most the only use made of aeroplanes and airships for military purposes would have been confined to the observation of troop movements in the field or for bombing.

So what, in those times, could have been causing

such intense unease in the capitals of Europe? An unease that even threatened to lead to serious diplomatic complications . . .

On November 22, 1912, the newspaper *"Odesskie Novosti" (Odessa News)* carried the following:–

"Hitherto we have been familiar with demonstrations at sea and demonstrations on land, but now, for the first time, we are seeing German aerial demonstrations over England. Last October, a German airship of the *"Zeppelin"* type, obviously belonging to the German Air Force, suddenly appeared over the English fortifications at Sheerness on the Thames Estuary. It was travelling at a speed of some 90 km. p.h. above the Estuary, and then vanished in the direction of the English Channel.

The appearance of the airship produced understandable alarm in England and even caused a question to be asked in Parliament by the M.P. Joynson-Hicks.

So far, the Ministry has given no reply to the question, but enquiries have established that many people saw the mystery dirigible . . . It goes without saying that such a flight by a Zeppelin to England and back demonstrates, first and foremost, the magnificent condition of the German Air Force, and proves that the German airships, in addition to their official records, also hold certain other unofficial records which are significantly higher. And this is a fact that is well worth thinking about."

Similar accusations against Germany in connection with flights by unknown aircraft continued to be published in the newspapers from time to time right up to February 26, 1913, when the German Government apparently decided to put an end, once and for all, to "ridiculous rumours", and published an official refutation. The report issued in Berlin ran as follows:–

"The German official authorities have to state, with the highest responsibility and authority, that aerial phenomena observed over Britain cannot possibly be of German origin. The German Government, as will be appreciated, is in fact anxious to disassociate itself from all these sorts of stories, and is inclined to regard the matter as potentially dangerous for Anglo-German relations.

The *"Kölnische Zeitung"* of this evening states that not a single German military or naval airship has ever made a flight over England and that not a single flight by a German airship could be the cause for these rumours. This official refutation must unquestionably be accepted as such."

The writer of the article then goes on also to assert that no secret flight from Germany to England and back is possible. He says the locations of all the German dirigibles are known; and that all their movements are carried out in public; that every flight is observed by thousands; that it would be impossible for the German airships to pass unnoticed over the densely populated areas of Belgium and Holland; that furthermore in winter a flight to England and back could not possibly be completed between dawn and dusk; that a ship fitted out for such a secret flight would not be able to carry lights; and that, quite apart from all the difficulties listed above, it would be impossible for Germany to gain anything by such adventures, which could only provide material for those ill-disposed to her to use against her."

And, indeed, as the press at the time pointed out: *"There are at present two obstacles that render such a flight impossible: namely the small radius of action of the airships and the danger involved."* The German Armed Forces, at the beginning of 1913, possessed a total of *four* rigid dirigibles of the *"Zeppelin"* type, and every one of their flights was widely publicized in the press. The speed of the best of these four airships did not exceed 75 km. p.h., and, on the average, they were incapable of remaining air-borne for more than twenty-four hours without landing. That is to say: to fly to England and back in one night (leaving out any further travel over British territory) was totally unfeasible for those airships.

Consequently, taking into consideration the state of aviation technology at the time, one must concur with all the arguments adduced by the German newspaper.

It follows that we must also note that, in all probability, this refutation by the German Government was found entirely satisfactory by the British. Following upon its publication, the charges that Germany was involved in the mystery flights completely disappeared from the British press. But the flights by the "aerial phantoms" still continued, and the question of their origins remained an open one.

Around the close of 1912 and the beginning of 1913 there had begun to be numerous reports from the various parts of Europe — and moreover not only from Europe — about the appearance of the mystery flying objects, often observed by large groups of eyewitnesses.

Thus, on the night of December 24, 1912, over the village of Severzh in Warsaw Province, an aeroplane of unknown origin, with two lights, suddenly appeared and flew around overhead for a long time, finally vanishing from sight in the direction of the frontier.

On the evening of December 28, 1912, in the neighbourhood of Kamenets-Podol'sk, two aeroplanes with searchlights were seen.

And the New Year, 1913, brought a whole wave of similar reports. One report, from Dover in England, said:–

"Some sort of flying machine, supposedly an airship, flew over the town before dawn on the morning of Saturday, January 4. The machine is said to have carried a light and came in from over the sea and heading towards the north-east. It was not possible to discern the shape of the craft . . . A very

strong wind from the west was blowing at the time. Town Council employee John Hobbs said he saw the craft at about five o'clock in the morning. His attention was at first drawn by the sound of an engine, and, glancing in the direction from which the sound was coming, he saw a light travelling very fast and coming from the direction of the sea. As the machine passed over the town, the noise of its engine was clearly audible. It was also heard by a Mr Langley and by Police-Constable Percy."

On January 18, a report from Kamenets-Podol'sk said that "for the third day in succession a shining spot of light had appeared over the town. As people watched it, it appeared to be changing shape. Then it gradually descended towards the horizon in the direction of the Austrian frontier."

"On January 28 a flying machine was seen over Liverpool (England) and it was not possible to identify it. A resident of the ? ("Klabmur") area said that between 7.20 and 7.30 p.m., he saw an unknown flying object, travelling at some 25 m.p.h., right overhead. It carried a blinding light. Five other men who were in the house at the time also saw it."

"An aeroplane with two searchlights flew over the town of Belostok in Russia during the night of January 30. It 'probed' the town several times with a searchlight, which remained concentrated for a particularly long time upon the railway station."

"On February 6 an aeroplane with several large searchlights of different colours was seen over the junction at Slobodka. After circling around a few times, it flew away."

"On the same day, another mystery aeroplane landed near the village of Karpinena, in the Kishinevsk district. As policemen watched, it took off and flew away westwards."

"On February 22, 1913, soon after the English steamer *'City of Leeds'* had left Grimsby bound for Hamburg, the captain, Captain Landy, and the Second Officer, Williams, saw what seemed to be some kind of flying craft straight overhead, moving towards the direction from which they had come. The Moon was bright and they observed the machine well for the space of two minutes."

Between 8.20 and 8.30 p.m. on February 25, 1913, coastguards at Hornsea (Yorkshire) saw an unknown flying machine with a bright light. Considerable excitement was caused in Hull by the arrival of a flying machine, taken to be the same one that had been seen earlier at Hornsea. Groups of residents of the centre of the town watched the craft moving around for more than an hour, after which it vanished towards the west. Its lights were clearly visible, though at times they looked like dim red spots.

Again there was a sighting over Liverpool of what witnesses were inclined to believe was a dirigible. It was seen between 8.40 and 8.45 p.m., and then disappeared in the direction of ? (SIFORT, =? *Seaforth*?) Eyewitnesses said that they could clearly hear the sound of its engine. When first noticed, the craft was at a great height, and its lights looked like a bright star. But the assumption that it was a star was dispelled when, very soon afterwards, the shape of the machine could be discerned. It flew around over the district at high speed, vanishing finally towards the northern suburbs of the town."

"On the evening of Feburary 28, 1913, an aeroplane with three passengers appeared over Mardarovka in Russia. It remained overhead for twenty minutes and then vanished." In March 1913, discussing the continuing flights of mystery aircraft, the Russian newspapers reported:–

"Once again, a whole series of telegrams from various stations on the South-Western Railway report the appearance of a mystery "aeroplane". This time, the telegrams are so categorical and so consistent that they have to be believed. Only this time it is obvious that we are talking about an Austrian dirigible, because searchlights cannot be fitted on to an aeroplane, and all these telegrams, corroborating each other, report that "the aeroplane shone searchlights on the station."

"The telegrams were received from these stations: Gayvoron; Henrichovka; Gaysin; Zhmerinka, plus also others. From Gaysin, N.C.O. Ol'shanskiy telegraphs: 'The aeroplane appeared during the hours of the night. Starting from the direction of Gayvoron to the south, it proceeded as far as Gaysin and then turned back towards Zhmerinka in the south-west. It lit up the whole place. At the same time, far away, another aeroplane also appeared, coming from the Austrian frontier, in the north-west. When the second aeroplane appeared, the first one moved off and disappeared. The second one returned suddenly and flew about on its own, cautiously, and very high'.

"On March 8, 1913, two telegrams were received from the South-Western Railway Administration: The first said: 'A large balloon flew very slowly, and very low, over the station at Rakitino at 7.30 a.m.' The second telegram said: 'An aeroplane flew over the station at Belozer'ye at 9.00 a.m. and landed. It remained there for five minutes, and then flew away.' Following upon the increased number of these sightings of unknown machines in the S.W. Railway Region, the Railway authorities have given orders for increased watchfulness. The Police too have issued special orders."

The foregoing is just a small portion of the reports from that period so crammed with them. The main thing that these reports tell us is that as a general rule the mystery flying objects were seen during the hours of darkness. This fact alone proves convincingly that

what we are dealing with here are not ordinary aeroplanes and dirigibles, inasmuch as in those times night-flying was extremely rare, due to the imperfect state of the technology.

It is a known fact that, during the period that we are considering, aviation was in its so-called *'instrument-less'* flying stage of development. Any emergency flight at night or in difficult meteorological conditions involved insuperable problems for the pilots. In the absence of any clear reference-points on the ground, and having no navigational instruments, pilots are subject to illusions as to their position in Space, what is up and down, and so on, all of which often leads to accidents. This is why, even at the start of World War II, not all pilots were allowed to make long night-flights.

Moreover, a point deserving of our careful consideration is the fact that this wave of reports of sightings of 'mystery aeroplanes' occurred at precisely the most unfavourable time of the year for flying — namely *the winter.*

In the overwhelming majority of the cases we note that 'lights', 'searchlights', etc., are mentioned — and these were only occasionally present in those days on only the biggest dirigibles.

It is characteristic that the duration of the sightings shows a wide range of variation: from estimates of a few minutes up to several hours. In some of the reports the great altitude and unusually high speed of flight are stressed. And we note that there were various strange manoeuvres that the enigmatic machines performed: sudden sharp turns; sharp upward or downward 'jumps'; periods of hanging stationary in the air; brief landings on the ground *(in the darkness, and in winter to boot!)*

Although at the beginning of 1913 the world altitude record for aeroplanes was 5,610 metres, and the speed record was 174 km.p.h., the majority of the airoraft at that time, including those of the military forces of the European States, were extremely primitive.

The power of their engines was 50-70 l.c. and their speed not more than 75 km.p.h., and their 'ceiling' was 1,200 metres. The best of the German dirigible airships at that time had a 'ceiling' of 3,200 metres and a top speed of 75 km.p.h.

Consequently, the entire complex of details, now becoming preciser for us, shows that the characteristic features of the mystery flying objects do not correspond in any conceivable way with the level of technical development of flying at the start of this century, and proves that the terms *"aeroplane "* or *"dirigible"* were being employed by the eyewitnesses only as an *analogy* with what were our 'new', 'fashionable' methods of travel as existing at that time. In vain do we seek, even in a single one of the newspaper accounts, for such a statement as: *"One evening he saw an unknown machine in the field, with two people . . . and when he approached it, he perceived that it was an aeroplane".*

And to that we have to add that in 1913 in all probability the majority of the eyewitnesses had themselves never yet had an opportunity to see actual aeroplanes and dirigibles in flight, these being quite rare in those days, and only knew of their existence from the newspapers or from hearsay.

On the basis of all of this, we can state with absolute certitude that the objects which had startled people with their flights through the skies in 1913 simply could never by any means have been dirigibles or aeroplanes, but were something totally different.

There were, incidentally, people who said as much even at that time, which sometimes led to extremely sceptical and in point of fact false denials.

Thus, on March 5, 1913, the newspaper *"Odesskie Novosti" ("Odessa News")* published a notice under the title "AERIAL PHANTOMS", in which it said:–

"Ever since dirigibles appeared in the world, the English have started to suffer from a peculiar persecution mania. Throughout the past five years not a single month has passed without the victims of this psychosis discovering some dirigible flying, nobody knows why, over the industrial towns of the United Kingdom. It goes without saying that, every time, the mysterious flying machine turns out to be a Zeppelin. Each time, the London press sees a threat in these happenings, screams that it is being attacked by the perfidious Teutons, and demands that its government take decisive measures. But, when the matter is investigated, the nefarious "zeppelin" turns out to be either simply a mirage resulting from a disordered imagination, or some entertaining balloon such as the British sportsmen release into the air after very festive occasions. And so it is again now. A few days ago, somebody in England saw, "with my own eyes" some monstrous cloud flying over Dover during the night. Next day somebody else saw it at Yarmouth, and on the day after that it was seen again — at Cardiff. And, once again, the whole of the press sounded the alarm. Arrangements were made for investigations, the eyewitnesses were questioned, and it turned out that in actual fact nobody had seen any dirigible; somebody had once merely seen some sort of light in the sky. And, since nobody believes there can be lights in the sky, then it is clear that it was a German dirigible. What point there would be for a dirigible to be flying through the skies at night, naturally nobody thinks of that. But the objective has been attained. The British Government, scared by the phantoms in the sky, decided to introduce a bill in the House of Commons for the development of a new air force along the lines of the German one. One may take it that now the nightly excursions of the Zeppelins to England will cease."

Alongside of such rash and superficial explanations,

however, attempts began to be made to clarify the origin of the mysterious aircraft more seriously and from a scientific point of view. Let us look now at another article, *"The Mysterious Flying Machines"*, published in issue No. 136 of the newspaper *"Kievskaya Zhizn'" ("Kiev Life")*, of March 12, 1913. There we read:–

"During recent days, and especially in the newspapers of the south-western part of Russia, there have been frequent reports of the appearance of various flying machines of Austrian and German origin.

In the March issue of the French journal *"L'Astronomie"*, which we have just received, there is a curious explanation for this phenomenon. Mr Ivan Osemblovskiy of Belgorod, in the Province of Kursk, had sent the journal a report with a comment that the public are being led into error by the appearance, in the West, of the bright planet Venus, which many people take for a searchlight. In support of the view that this surmise is well founded, *"L'Astronomie"* goes on to say, for its part, that in April 1905 ships were sent out from Cherbourg to search for a balloon carrying a searchlight. later, it was realized, it wasn't a balloon but . . . the planet Venus.

And could not the recent report from the shores of the Sea of Okhotsk about a mystery aircraft also turn out to be the same thing — i.e., the manifestation of ignorance about natural phenomena?

There is no need to be surprised about our ignorance. In almost every issue, the French journal *"L'Astronomie"* reports on similar ignorance in France and in other countries.

A report of the St. Petersburg Telegraphic Agency from Berlin, dated February 26, 1913, probably involves the same error. According to this report, the *"Kölnische Zeitung"* (Cologne) has published a semi-official note refuting the English newspapers' reports of night-flights by German dirigibles to Britain. From certain details in this note one gets the feeling that the reports in the English papers derive from this very same phenomenon."

In conclusion, the Director of the Observatory, A.G. Skobson writes: "I can state that the planet responsible for this illusion is visible in the evenings after sunset already from December onwards and at the present time is attracting many people to the observatory of Countess Panina, where one glance through the tube suffices to permit one to grasp the nature of that mysterious heavenly body and see how much it has in common with the searchlight of an airship".

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Well, it would have all been very nice if everything about the "aerial phantoms" of 1913 could indeed have been explained away so easily and so simply. But today the business is seen to be far more complex than that, and one that yields to no simple and so very light-weight an explanation.

For, fundamentally, the reports of late 1912/early 1913 were nothing unique, or devoid of previous or of subsequent analogies. However strange it may sound, those reports were essentially very ordinary.

In actual fact, although the objects have been compared to all manner of things — that is to say, other than "aeroplanes" and airships — throughout the whole known history of mankind we encounter reports similar to these. With no particular difficulty, they are to be found in the works of the classical writers of Antiquity, in old annals and chronicles, in the accounts of navigators and travellers, and in books and newspapers of the 16th to the 19th centuries. In particular, in late 1896 and the early part of 1897, a wave of reports of "mystery aircraft" swept across the whole of North America, where millions of people saw them. And after 1913 similar sightings also went on. For example, in the years 1933-34, the appearance of "mystery aeroplanes" produced an absolute panic throughout the whole of Scandinavia. Just as in 1913, the "aeroplanes" carried out their flights at the most inclement time of the year — *in winter.* Violent snowstorms, tempests, and dense fogs are frequently mentioned in many of the reports. But, despite that, the enigmatic objects still carried on their manoeuvres very near to the surface of the Earth or of the sea, circling around above villages, above ships, above railway stations, illuminating them all with their powerful "searchlights". Sweden, Norway and Denmark repeatedly sent up fighter aircraft to try to intercept the objects in the air, and the governments of these three countries also carried out special investigations on a wide scale, but all were unsuccessful. Numerous similar reports are also still occurring today.

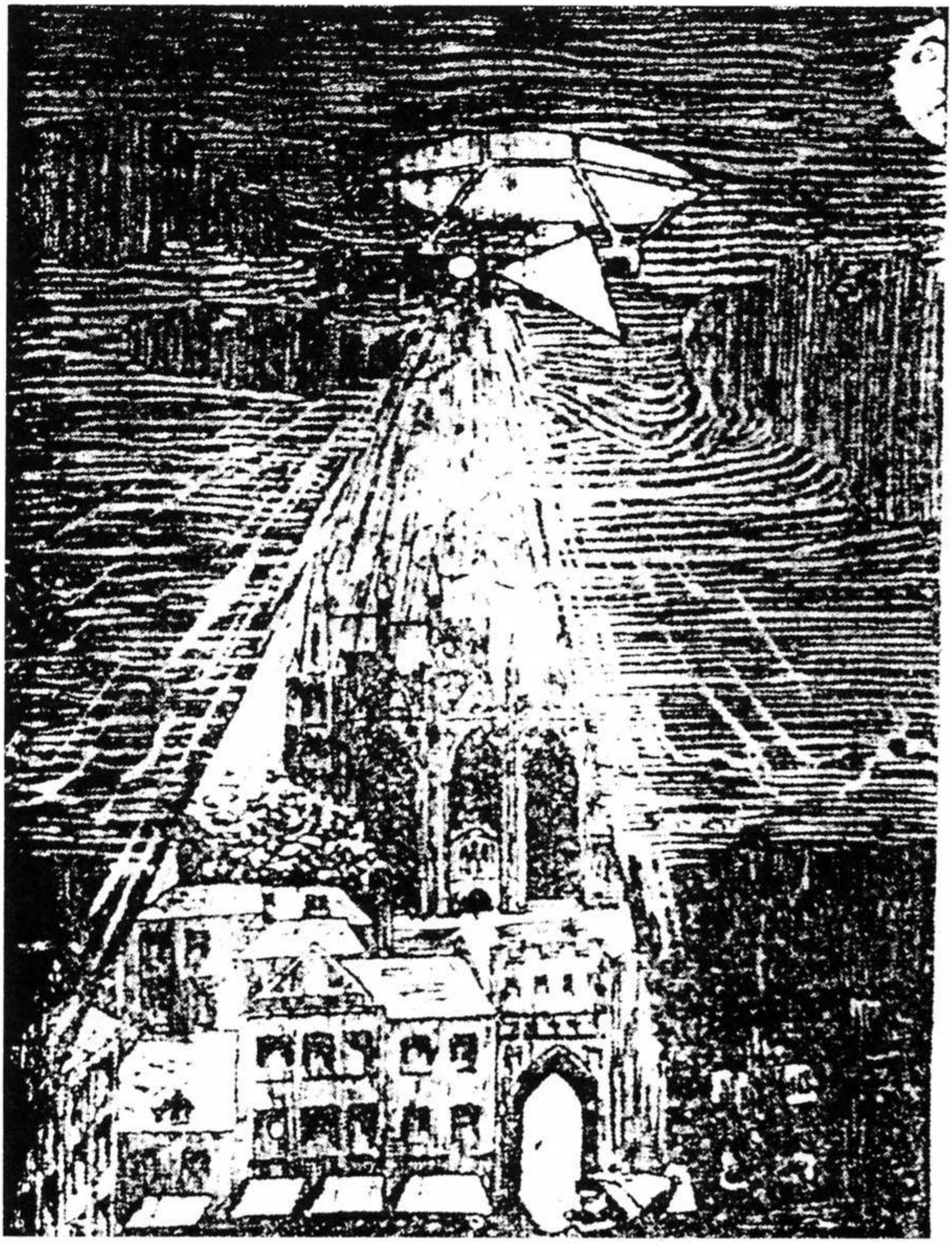
All of which provides a sufficiently strong basis for us to view the 1913 sightings reported above with entire confidence, and to see them as neither journalistic "scares" nor mass-hallucinations nor hysteria. All those reports definitely reflect some objective reality concealing a "something" that is still unknown to us.

. . . Concealing something that Science is going to have to get acquainted with.

The sky phenomena of 1913, in their basic features, correspond entirely with all the other sightings, made earlier or later, and they must consequently all be studied together as part of the whole complex of questions relating to anomalous phenomena in the atmosphere, the hydrosphere, and the Universe. Only in that way will this interesting enigma finally arrive at its due and proper settlement.

NOTE BY EDITOR, FSR

Curiously enough, I am able to supply an interesting piece of personal comment on these matters. As a child, I lived in East Anglia, that part of Britain which



What did P.C. Kettle see?

—another old mystery revived

The contemporary artist's impression of what P.C. Kettle saw in the air above Peterborough.

received the brunt of the German aerial attacks, and I actually watched the shooting down, by our airmen, of two of their great Zeppelins — awesome scenes indeed. During World War I, and in the years following it, I frequently heard the old people in the East Anglian villages chatting together about the Zeppelins, and it was sometimes said: *"Well, of course, you know that they were over here often, BEFORE 1914!"*

Needless to say, no German airship or aeroplane was ever over Britain before 1914, and documents published by both governments show conclusively that such was the case.

But, as we all know now, there *were* highly interesting reports of 'airships' over Britain long before the outbreak of war in August 1914. For a good example, just take a look at FSR Vol. 6, No. 4 (1960) and study the account of the 'airship' that scared the stuffing out of Police-Constable Kettle when, at 5.10 a.m. on March 23, 1909, it flew low over the city of Peterborough (in East Anglia) and lit up the whole place with its vivid searchlight. Another policeman, in an entirely different part of Peterborough, also reported that he saw it and, like P.C. Kettle, heard the sound of its engine. The whole story will be found in the files of the local newspaper, *Peterborough Citizen & Advertiser*, of March 24 and March 27, 1909, from which this contemporary artist's impression is taken. G.C.

"CLEAR INTENT"

IN the Editorial to FSR 31/6 we asked our European readers to be good enough to keep us informed regarding any references in the media of their countries to the book "CLEAR INTENT", and two further reports about this have now reached us.

The Editor of the Flemish *SVLT Bulletin*, organ of the Belgian Studiegroep Voor Vreemde Luchtverschijnselen of Antwerp, writes to point out that already, as early as their issue No. 4/14 of April 1985, they had devoted a paragraph of twenty lines to the book.

And our second correspondent is Dr. Dieter Staschewski of Stutensee- Büchig, West Germany, who wrote on December 1, 1986, that in October 1984 Herr Michael Hesemann, Editor of the German-language publication MAGAZIN 2000, had likewise published an announcement and a brief comment on "CLEAR INTENT". (Apparently the only reference to it yet in Germany.)

We are much obliged to our two correspondents for this information.

Meanwhile, as regards "CLEAR INTENT" itself, we are advised by its authors, Lawrence Fawcett and Barry Greenwood, that so far a total of some 14,500 copies of the book have been sold. They also say that, in view of the expected publication in the USA of two extremely important new books on UFOs in 1987, Prentice-Hall Inc. are considering the possibility of re-issuing "CLEAR INTENT".

We understand that the titles of the two important new books are as follows, and we urge our readers to look out for them:–

(1) THE INTRUDERS by BUDD HOPKINS
(2) COMMUNION by WHITLEY STREIBER

(We learn furthermore that the author of this second-named book claims to have had remarkable experiences with alien beings — experiences that are still going on.)

We understand furthermore from the authors of "CLEAR INTENT" that, despite the undoubted skill with which the American media have given the impression of late that the UFOs are no more, and our subject is dead and done with, this, as we all know over here in Europe, is very far from the truth. In particular we learn that we can expect some startling developments soon, particularly in connection with the Bentwaters/Rendlesham Forest Case. — G.C.

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MORE PICTURES OF THE MYSTERY CIRCLES

In completion of our selection of pictures from the fine series made by Mr Chris Wood, Staff Photographer for the *Express Newspapers*, we give here two more examples of the "swirled rings", so that FSR may contain a reasonably balanced and representative chronicling of the whole problem to date.

The previous photos that we have published were from the years 1981 (FSR 29/1); 1983 (FSR 29/1 and 31/6); and 1985 (FSR 31/5).

This time, they relate to the year 1984, the first photo being of the site at White Horse, Bratton, near Westbury, Wiltshire (51° 16 N., 2° 11 W.) and the second being of a site lying *directly* south of there, namely Cley Hill, near Warminster, Wiltshire (51° 12 N., 2° 11 W.).

ADDITIONAL NOTE

We have just received from Mr Pat Delgado his comprehensive Summary on the fresh mystery circles discovered in Britain during the year 1986, which we hope to publish in the very near future. We can promise that, as Mr Delgado says, this Report for 1986, covering no less than nine sites, will outshine all other years so far. He says that ever since the mid-1970s there has been a steady progression in the numbers of the circle sightings, their group configurations, and the intricacies of circle construction. — G.C.

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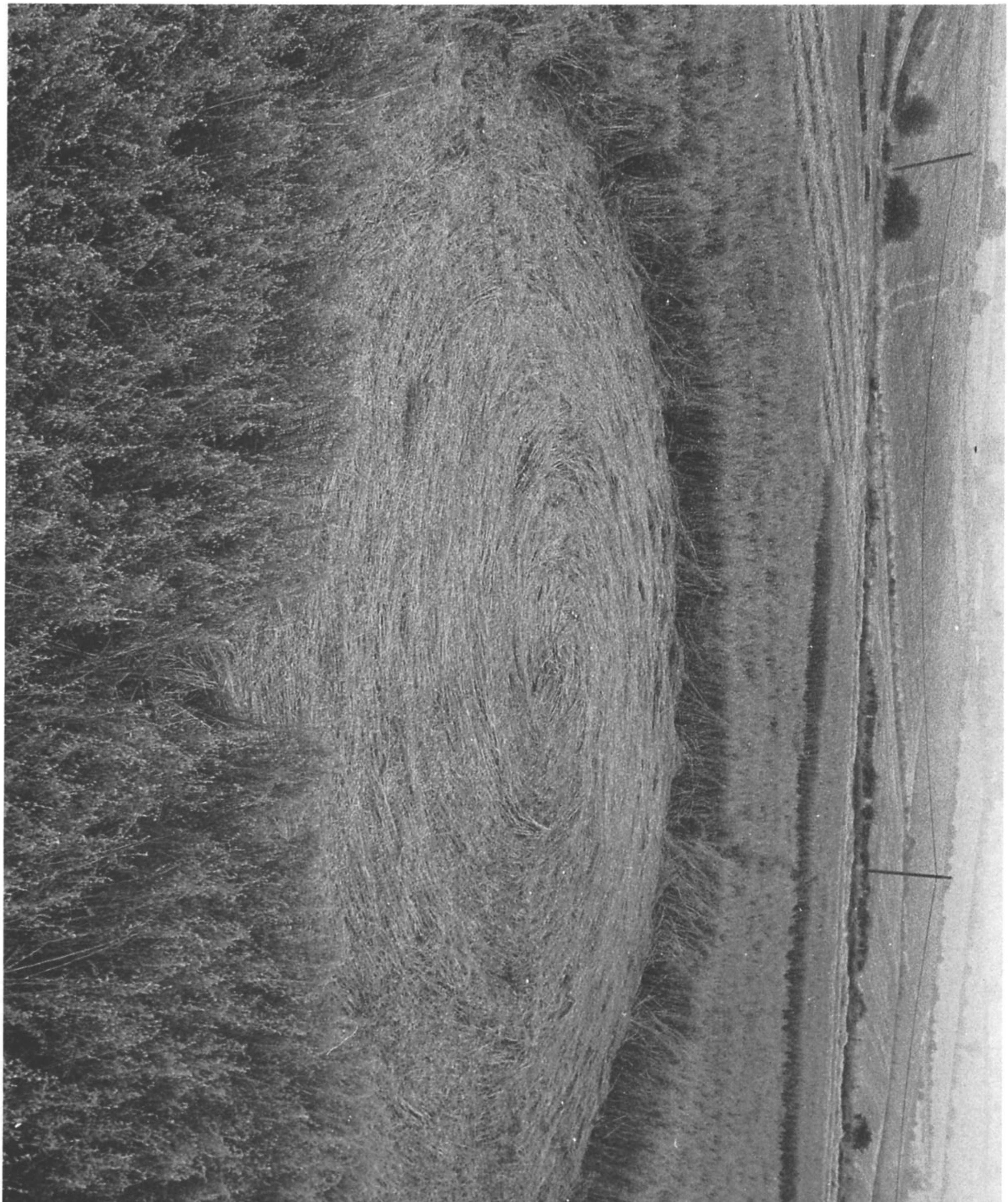

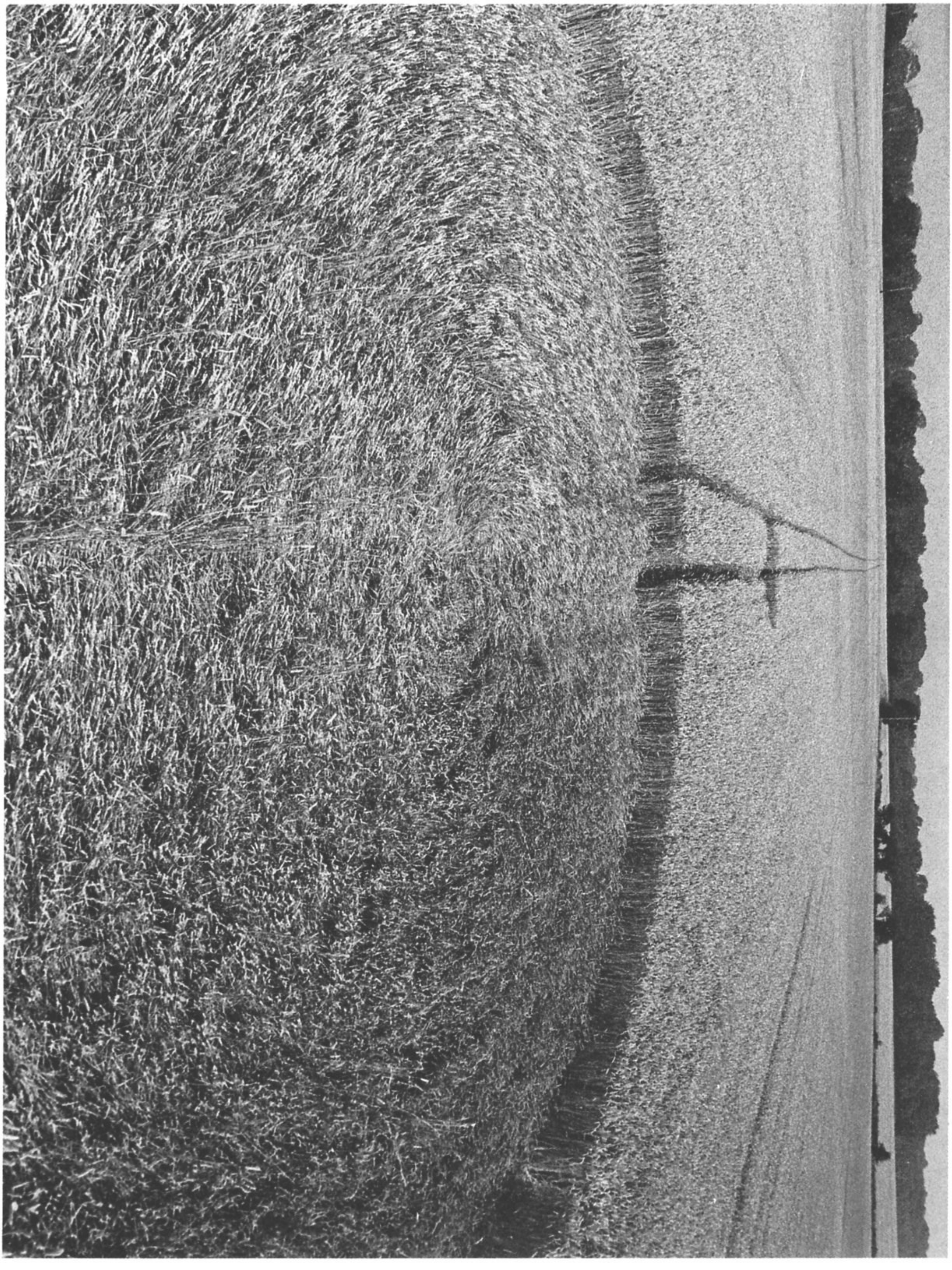

FROM DUST, ALIEN CONSCIOUSNESS MAY ARISE! FROM AFAR, ALIENS MAY BE HERE! FROM OTHER DIMENSIONS, UFOs MAY EMANATE!

Paul Whitehead, FSR Consultant

A look at what may be happening right now, and a warning (Ref. *"Clear Intent"*) from an N.S.A. Analyst

IT has been said that all great advances in science have come from a combination of inspiration and intuition. Logic takes mankind only so far; we have to rely on something extra — call it imagination, or inspiration or intuition, if you like — to beckon us on to new horizons.

Many don't like to take the step. Witness the persecution of Galileo for saying that the Sun does not orbit the Earth, and that the Earth is not at the centre of the Universe. Witness also the anguish of Einstein over the revelations revealed by Quantum Mechanics that something may play dice with the Universe (God, or a cosmic consciousness, or ... or what?)

Einstein baffled

Enstein was particularly puzzled at the theory, now well established, that two particles which have been correlated can exchange information over vast distances. In an essay called *"Parapsychology and Quantum Mechanics"*, written by the science writer Martin Gardner in 1981, the latter stated:–

> *"It is unthinkable, he (Einstein) argued, that information can go instantly from one particle to another one that is 10 light years away — yet Quantum Mechanics (QM) seems to demand this."*
>
> Gardner adds that many recent experiments have confirmed this. The London QM physicist David Bohm had proposed *"that correlated particles may be connected on a subquantum level that is outside the Space-Time of relativity theory. The other possibility is that widely separated particles may be casually connected in Space-Time, but in a way that violates relativity theory."*

So, what Einstein could not accept, is now accepted! Worse still for Einstein, whole systems may be involved in the ability to transfer information faster than light.

◀ **Cley Hill, Warminster (1984)**
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The ideas of Freeman Dyson

Let us move for a moment to another apparently wild theory. The physicist Freeman Dyson has recently made the suggestion that mankind could escape the confines of the Earth and our Solar System — even the confines (apparent or real) placed upon us by death — by transferring our consciousness and intelligence to a cloud of galactic dust and gas. Dyson is a scientist who uses a combination of practical science and logic and imagination/inspiration to propose a project that will be ridiculed by his contemporaries, but which may eventually become reality.

Or perhaps he used intuition — a feeling that this may already have happened somewhere in the Universe.

In his article *"After The Sun Dies"* (*Omni,* Vol 8 No. 11, 1986) T A Heppenheimer quotes Dyson that we will eventually transfer our consciousness, together with our knowledge, to clouds of gas "formed from the thin, tenuous matter that fills all of Space".

This gas would be all that remained after the Universe had stopped producing stars and the last stars had died.

Describing Dyson as "one of the most renowned mathematical physicists in the world", he quotes him further: *"I believe that life can go on forever ... To change from a human being to a cloud may seem a big order, but it's the kind of change you'd expect over billions of years."*

Dyson, it may be remembered by FSR readers, was the man who proposed, in the 1960s, that extraterrestrials could build a sphere (now called the "Dyson sphere") around their sun to conserve energy and maintain the growth of their civilisation. He also believes that aliens use space-travel to get to and from wherever they may be going!

It has even been suggested in some scientific circles

that one day man could travel around the Universe in the form of energy, unencumbered by requirements such as on-board life support systems, anti-radiation shielding, etc.

UFOs observing Earth

Likewise, it has also been suggested that UFOs are a form of intelligent energy — an extremely advanced lifeform that could traverse dimensions, or cover intersteller distances rapidly by making use of 'wormholes' in the fabric of Space, or by manipulating black holes to project itself into new areas of Space.

The question that goes begging is this; could the Earth be under observation by a species so advanced that it would be difficult to detect? Could an advanced species manipulate us in some way — and if so, why? Or are we merely like animals in a zoo, under observation by aliens who prefer on the whole to keep their distance, as Prof. Archie Roy and others have surmised.

Before we move on to a report quoted in the book *"Clear Intent"*, on the subject of the effect on mankind of meeting a more advanced species, we should perhaps take a look at another piece of the jigsaw. How would another species know there could be life on Earth, without making the trek here in the first place? The possibility of expecting life as we know it at random would be less than if we knew the type of planet we were looking for.

A Space-telescope

We will return in a future issue of FSR to what Dyson and others forecast for us when our sun dies.

"A vast hypersphere"?

Let us first return to Martin Gardner's comment, above, that Space and Time may be circumnavigated by correlated particles. This may be possible, he says, if we think of our space-time as the surface of a vast hypersphere. In the extra dimensions which are included in the hypersphere, it may be possible for information to travel instantaneously, he adds.

But how do we gain access to those other dimensions, given that they exist? In his book *"To Acknowledge the Wonder"*, by the physicist Euan Squires (Published by Adam Hilger Ltd, 1985), Squires says:– "It could be that our world takes the form it does because it really exists in a higher dimensional space."

Why, he asks, are we not aware of this? Why are we only aware of three dimensions?

The answer is that the supposed fourth dimension is smaller than the universe we know; it is "rolled up into a circle of small radius". Because this radius is "smaller than the inverse of any reasonable mass/energy scale with which we are familiar" we simply cannot see the fourth dimension.

However, Squires says, "we are everywhere on the circle (the extra dimension)". It should be possible to see it — and that could be achieved by "extremely high energy probes", which could break through into the more dense other dimension.

Unfortunately, Squires leaves it there. It is, he says, the realm of speculation (or one could argue inspiration or intuition!), and until the experimentalists offer more tangible possibilities, he prefers not to take the speculation too far.

What types of "probes" was he talking about? Probes of pure high energy which could somehow be controlled by us and would reveal information about the fourth dimension? Probably; a small or large "nuts and bolts" probe, made of metal and with a man on board, would be out of the question — unless the atoms comprising the craft and instrumentation on board could be converted to energy and later converted back to matter. That, again, is speculation, but, according to Arthur C Clarke, not entirely impossible.

Clarke has written, in a series of articles on the future, that man one day might be able to convert matter (e.g. a human being) into energy, and re-constitute it all back again to form the same human being. But if the attempt was made to "vibrate" the human up to a higher energy level, he would die, Clarke concluded.

It may be stretching speculation too far to suggest that energy with consciousness and intelligence *could be* "vibrated" up to a higher energy level, without destroying that same consciousness/intelligence.

The answer comes not in the radio and television broadcasts on Earth, which are now several decades of light years away; they may all have ben "drowned" in the strong solar radiation (from our Sun). The answer comes in the form of a gigantic telescope which aliens somewhere, at some time in the past, might have built specifically for the purpose of seeking out those planets which harboured biological life.

Note that we are talking specifics here. And oddly enough, what we are talking about is what our own scientists and astronomers are proposing. They want to build a Space-telescope with a mirror diameter of 16m (48ft), according to the scientific journal *'Nature'* (Vol 322, No 6077, 24-30 July 1986), in a paper entitled *"A Space Telescope for infra-red spectroscopy of Earth-like planets"*.

Such a telescope, orbiting the Earth, would be able to see Earth-size planets around nearby stars — if they exist. The light reflecting from the planet would enable scientists to analyse the atmospheric composition of the planets and ascertain if there is evidence of biological life, as we know it, on them.

The authors — J R P Angel, A Y S Cheng, and N J Woolf, of the Steward Observatory, University of Arizona, Tucson — state that "several interesting

candidate stars" are close enough for the experiment. The search for planets could even be carried out by a smaller telescope carried into orbit on board a shuttle, but the results would be inferior, they say.

The larger telescope "would bring great power to many of the fundamental problems of physics, in addition to the search for life".

Life on Earth detected long ago?

As part of their argument for such a telescope to be built, the scientists take a quantum and controversial leap which might have profound implications for us if indeed it happened. They propose the theory, at the end of their paper:– "A corollary of this work is that life on Earth could have been detected during the past 10^9 (i.e. 1,000 million) years from thousands of planets beyond the man-made radio emission, by an infra-red telescope of 100-200 meters in diameter".

Here then is a subtle proposal that life on our Earth may have been detected 1 billion years ago. The simplest cells began to evolve in our oceans 3.5 billion years ago, and after 1 billion years oxygen began to accumulate in the atmosphere. Presumably, then, the signs of life on Earth could have been detected 2.5 billion years ago (two and a half times longer than the Arizona scientists speculate).

Supposing that life was detected so long ago — or even just one billion years ago, or a mere 1,000 years ago; would the intelligence behind the detection have come to look, or would it have died out before probes were sent out? I don't propose to address such questions here.

The scientists speculated no further, but in another paper in the same issue of *Nature,* entitled *"Detection of planetary systems and the search for evidence of life",* Bernard F. Burke, of the Department of Physics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, says that the search for life should not be restricted to Earth-size planets.

"One might expect that a planet teeming with life is likely to exhibit dramatic departures from chemical equilibrium in its atmosphere," he says. For example, "a high oxygen abundance in the atmosphere of another planet would be a strong indication that life existed there."

On that note, we turn to the question often posed by sceptics who ask *"If aliens have come all the way here, why haven't they made themselves known to us?"* The question may be irrelevant if the supposed aliens don't "think" like us, and see no reason why they should make their presence known.

They would be considerate indeed if they did not officially reveal themselves, for the revelation could have drastic consequences for the human race.

U.S. Air Force Academy's Textbook on UFOs

In *"Clear Intent"* (written by Fawcett & Greenwood, published by Prentice-Hall, 1984), the authors publish portions of a chapter on UFOs which was contained in a textbook in use at the U.S. Air Force Academy in the 1960s. The book was entitled *"Introductory Space Science"* and was provided for the Academy's Department of Physics course — *"Physics 370"*

The chapter on UFOs is the last in the book, and after discussing specific UFO sightings and theories, the textbook concluded:– *"This leaves us with the unpleasant possibility of alien visitors to our planet, or at least alien-controlled UFOs.*

"However, the data are not well correlated, and what questionable data there are suggest the existence of at least three and maybe four different groups of aliens (possibly at different stages of develoment). This too is difficult to accept. It implies the existence of intelligent life on a majority of the planets in our solar system, or a surprisingly strong interest in Earth by members of other solar systems."

Scientist's Warning

In *"Clear Intent",* an analyst on the staff of the American National Security Agency (NSA) was quoted at length on the subject of the serious problems that might arise for mankind if and when a technologically superior alien race came into contact with us. His important report, released subsequently under the USA's Freedom of Information Act, bears the title *"UFO Hypothesis and Survival Questions".*

With the exception of a few less important lines, the whole of the text was given recently in FSR 31/5, pages 13-21, by our Australian colleague Bill Chalker, in his article *The UFO Connection: Startling Implications for Australia's N.W. Cape and for Australia's Security,* and consequently, in view of the lack of space, there is no need to quote it all afresh here. However, readers are urged to look at the NSA man's report again.

That a subject such as this has been studied at length by Government agencies in the USA (and probably in other countries too) is surely an indication of how very seriously the implications of contact with superior intelligences have been taken, and undoubtedly still are being taken.

For we see that the study of UFOs is seen as a very grave matter indeed. So grave, in fact, that the reports and the findings have remained secret in the USA for years and have likewise remained secret in other countries. The implications of alien contact are certainly daunting, as is the thought that we may have been under close observation for many years past.

As was stated in the U.S. Air Force Academy Physics and Astronomy textbook mentioned earlier:–

"From available information, the UFO Phenomenon appears to have been global in nature for almost 50,000 years."

FOR SALE. First twenty years of FSR, 1955 to 1975, excepting 2/1 (1956) and 3/1 (1957). A. Bluemer, 2000 Hamburg 52, Grottenstrasse 2, West Germany.

THE JINN AND THE DOLMEN (POST-SCRIPT)

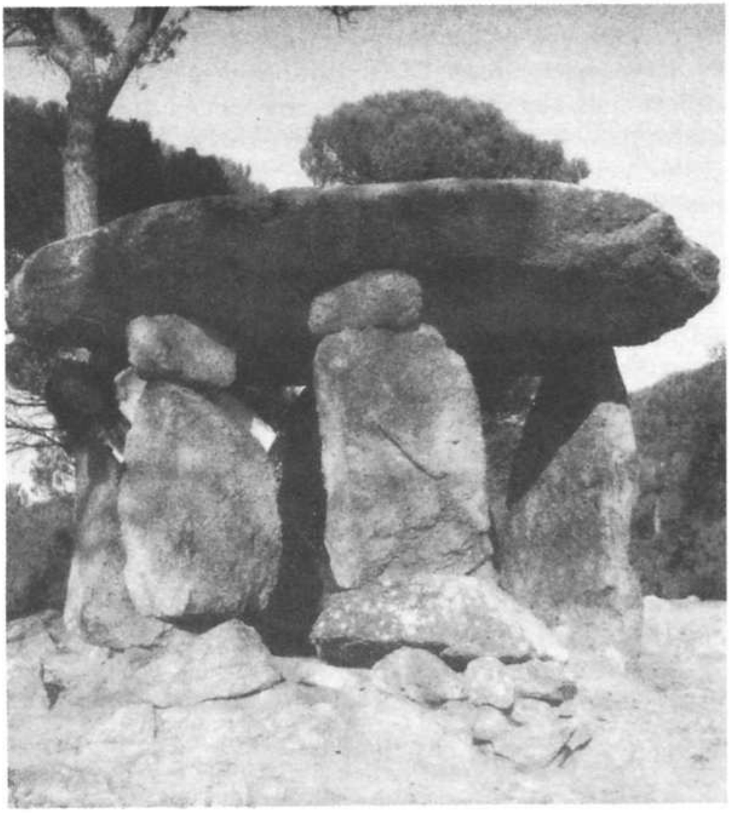
According to the brief note received from Antonio Ribera, there has been a further and most extraordinary development in the story of the *Jinn And The Dolmen* (reported in FSR 31/4).

The Cave Located

IT seems that a dowser from Mataró, Sr. Juan Surià Sitjà, has now detected the presence of an enormous cavern, one kilometre in length, right underneath the *Turó dels Gentils,* which is the name in the local language (Catalan) for the hill on which the Dolmen stands. The present name for the Dolmen, *"La Pedra Gentil",* derives of course from the hill itself. Moreover, there is something else of extraordinary interest about this words *"Gentils",* for there is strong evidence that it is cognate with, or very closely connected with, the Arabic word "JINN" itself! (See below.)

In actual fact, the Dolmen is not now standing where it has always been. Sr. Ribera informs us that, until around the close of the 19th century, its site was several hundred metres downhill from where it is now. Then, for some reason or other, it was re-located, no doubt because the summit of the hill seemed the more natural and more impressive place for it.

Prior to the removal of the Dolmen, the local folk called it *"La Pedra Gelada"* ("The Frozen Stone"), seemingly because its first location was dark, wet, and woody.



The "Pedra Gentil" Dolmen

The Tunnel

Furthermore, according to a local amateur archaeologist, the student Jaume López, head of a Catalan student group who have published their findings in a small review which they produce, there is a *tunnel* linking the cave with the crypt of a dilapidated and abandoned Baroque church, known as the *"Església Vella"* (Catalan for "Old Church") which stands in the Valley below.

Jaume López and his group of archeologists have located the line of this tunnel, and now plan to seek the entrance to it under the "Old Church", but are at present encountering strong opposition from the owners of the land on which the ruined building stands.

Linguistic Clues

With regard to the name *"Turó dels Gentils"* ("Gentiles' Hill" in Catalan) Antonio Ribera gives us, in conclusion, a piece of information which seems to be highly significant. The Catalan word *"gentil"* (pronounced in the softer English or French fashion, and not with the guttural sound of the Castilian *"ge",* which is more like *"heh"*) is phonetically identical with the sound of the Arabic letter *j (jim* ج *)* in the

word "JINN" (جِنّ), and the Spanish investigators feel that it is highly probable that in early times the name of that hill was not *"Turó dels Gentils"*, but indeed "TURÓ DELS JINNS" (THE HILL OF THE JINNS), the name being subsequently altered, at the behest of the Catholic Church, in order to give the place a less "pagan" and less "magical" or sinister character. *For in fact the local folk legends actually do tell us that the summit of the hill was once inhabited by "a queer race of people", who were wont to spread out their laundry on the rocks and boulders of the summit, and who promptly vanished whenever a human approached the place!*

And we must always bear in mind the fact that almost every part of Spain was — at least for a minimum of several centuries — totally under Arabic domination, with the result that today the Spanish language still contains many Arabic words (and the neighbouring language of Portugal contains even more).

At any rate, this discovery of a big cavern by the dowser, and the local legends unearthed by Jaume López and his colleagues, seem to dovetail in a fantastic fashion with the story told by Xavier Clarés who, as we reported in FSR 31/4, claims to have had an extraordinary encounter with unknown and not particularly savoury beings in that precise region. It seems certain that Xavier Clarés, who is *not* himself a Catalan, but a native of Almería in S.E. Spain and a relatively recent arrival in Barcelona, can have known little or nothing about the local Catalan legends or about local place-names. He says he knows nobody in Vallgorguina, which is the little hamlet near the *"Pedra Gentil"*, and yet it was there, he claims, that he underwent his extraordinary adventure. And, as I mentioned in my footnotes on page 10 of FSR 31/4, the Spanish etymological experts speculate that this word *"Vallgorguina"* is possibly a corruption of an original Basque language form, *"Val Sorgiña"* which, curiously enough, means *"The Valley of the Witches"*. (Though that part of Spain is not inhabited by Basques today, the historians tell us that Basques were there formerly, which would not be surprising, since the linguistic similarity between the mysterious and difficult Basque language and the *Georgian* language of the Russian Caucasus indicates that the Basques must have come originally from the north-east into Spain.)

It is undeniable that one constantly comes across the most extraordinary and unexpected hints and clues in place-names, which is not really surprising, since so often a name is the oldest surviving human imprint upon a place, long after the humans have gone and even their towns and buildings have vanished without trace. — G.C.

"INDIRECT HYPNOSIS"

Hans Bemelmans (Brazil)

It must be fifteen years or more since we last published a report from our friend Hans Bemelmans in Brazil, and we welcome him again to our pages. — EDITOR

Two very interesting recent articles (Irene Granchi's *Abduction at Mirassol* in FSR 30/1, and Dr. W. Bühler's *Continued Abductions at Mirassol,* in FSR 31/6) have dealt with one of the most extraordinary "contactee" cases discovered so far in this country, and, in fact, the thing is by no means at an end.

In Sra. Granchi's article, she made reference to a mysterious new technique, namely *"indirect hypnosis"*, and this has inevitably led to some correspondence in FSR, with a letter from Mr. Malcolm Smith in Australia (FSR 30/4, page 28) strongly querying the possibility that any such technique could exist!

New Book by Dr. W. Bühler

Well now, as it so happens, Dr. Walter K. Bühler, Editor of the S.B.E.D.V. Bulletin, Rio de Janeiro, working in collaboration with his colleague Guilherme Pereira, has just issued a new book, *O LIVRO BRANCO DOS DISCOS VOADORES* (Pub. by Vozes Ltda., Petrópolis, 1985) in which a chapter is devoted to this so-called "new technique".

I must admit that it astonished me greatly, for I had never heard anyone suggest previously that it might be possible *to seat a medium or sensitive alongside of the hypnotised contactee, and then proceed to recover the whole story through the mouth, not of the contactee, but of the medium!*

Subsequently, the Mirassol contactee (Antôntio Carlos Ferreira) was given ordinary, straight hypnosis several times. And, on each occasion, the story he uttered fitted precisely with that already given through the sensitive.

Sr. Álvaro Fernandes, the hypnotist involved with Dr. Bühler in the examination of this case, is reported to be a member of the Braid Institute of São José do Rio Preto, and to have been practising hypnosis for more than twenty years. It was he, it seems, who actually discovered this new technique, known in Brazil as the *Sensitivity Regression Technique.*

The method employed is as follows: the medium, a lady named D. Araci, was seated beside Antônio Carlos Ferreira, who was already in a deeply relaxed and hypnotised state. It was then possible for her to

perceive all the innermost and hidden thoughts of Antônio Carlos, and to describe them to the observers, aloud. At some points she was able even to see the scenes he was in and observe details.

Dr. Bühler and the other investigators were frankly astonished when they first heard Sr. Álvaro Fernandes talking about *"Sensitivity Regression"*, this term being something totally unknown to them all.

Sr. Álvaro Fernandes then explained to them that it was a strange and personal discovery of his own, made some twenty years ago.

Coming in one day from a strenuous game of football, Álvaro Fernandes, exhausted, was resting quietly, and close beside him there happened to be this humble, pious, church-going lady. And she suddenly commenced to voice everything that was going through Álvaro Fernandes' mind at that moment!

At first he was terrified. Until then, he had thought that mediums could only capture communications from the discarnate dead! So he began to wonder whether he himself might now be dead, and his own spirit speaking through this woman!

On further questioning of her and testing, he discovered however, that not only could she read his mind, but the minds of other people too. *"Realising that he now had a new adjunct for use in his own experiments in hypnotic regression, he developed a technique for employing them together, regressing one hypnotically and the other sensitively into the same event in the subject's mind. The sensitive could scan for validity, and also for deception, while the other party was supposedly hypnotised. He has now been perfecting this technique for years."*

Some ten years ago a Brazilian doctor, Dr. Eliezer Cerqueira de Mendes, was reportedly following a similar line of enquiry, and he published a book about it, *"Personalidad Intrusa : Parapsicologia Clínica*, 144 p., (1976, Salvador, Bahía, Brazil).

I have forwarded to you this brief account, in the hope that it will be of help to any of your readers who desire to know more about these very remarkable and strange new claims about *"Sensitivity Regression"*, and will lead perhaps to further fruitful discussion.

FURTHER INTEREST IN "INDIRECT HYPNOSIS"

One of the new Consultants who have recently joined us, and whom we welcome most warmly to our ranks, is Dr R. Leo Sprinkle, PhD, Head of the Counselling & Career Development Center in the University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY. His name is well known to many FSR readers, as we have published some of his more notable UFO investigations a good many years ago.

By a strange coincidence, just about the time that we received the foregoing article from Hans Bemelmans, we learned from Dr Sprinkle that he too has been studying and experimenting during the past twenty years along lines which appear to have much in common with the work of Sr. Alvaro Fernandes in Brazil.

Dr Sprinkle writes as follows:–

"Since 1965, I have been interested in hypnotic procedures to assist clients who wish to explore the 'inner landscape' and to learn more about their bodily health, emotional concerns, and psychic development. However, most of my time is devoted to students, staff, and Faculty of the University of Wyoming.

. . . Sometimes I work with individual clients who are interested in my 'psychic impressions' of their own personal lives. When arrangements are made for an appointment and professional fee, I sit with the client and provide a 'reading': I relax deeply, and imagine that 'white light' is surrounding us; I silently pray for accurate and helpful information; when I am ready, I talk as if I am being given impressions of childhood feelings or possible past lives or possible future goals. (One woman gasped in astonishment: 'Is this like reading my mind?'. I replied: 'Oh, no! I think it's worse. It's like reading your soul.') The session is tape-recorded and the tape-recording is given to the client.

I do not present the information as 'knowledge'; I do not know if the information is true or false. However, some people have found that the verbalized impressions are helpful to them in their inner exploration and contemplation."

Dr Sprinkle's address is: Box 3708, University Station, LARAMIE, WY 82071.

G.C.

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AN ALARMING EPISODE

Gordon Creighton

The following letter came to me recently from a 72-year-old American lady, a widow and a retired nurse, who lives on the outskirts of a large town in California. Details of the place and the identity of the lady are not being published, at her express request. — EDITOR.

The Editor
FLYING SAUCER REVIEW July 15 1986

Dear Sir,

A very unusual experience happened to me on February 26 of this year, and I would like to relate it to you. Perhaps you are familiar with such occurrences, and I am in need of some answers.

I live in a 96-unit apartment complex out of town, on the edge of the country. The complex is of two storeys, with many tall pine trees around. My own apartment faces the back, where there is lots of lawn, green pine trees, and ground cover of ivy and Virginia creeper. There is a high wall running the full length of the property at the back, so it is very private indeed. Many young working people live here in the complex, and also airmen from the nearby U.S. Air Force Base, and their families.

It is my habit to awaken early (early being sun-up), go to the kitchen, and make a cup of tea, and then take it back to the bedroom and enjoy it while I plan the day, or read.

On the day in question, February 26, 1986, I was sitting in an easy chair, pulling on my socks, and still in my nightgown; and, as I raised up facing the window, a long (eight feet?) grey mottled object floated slowly by at windowsill-level, perfectly silent. As soon as I glimpsed it, my first thought was to run to the window and see what it was. But instantly I became paralyzed. I couldn't move. My head fell back against the wall and my eyes closed. And, needless to say, some very strange thoughts went through my head.

A few minutes went by, and I could move again. Of course, I went to the window, and naturally the thing was gone. But, high up in the pine tree right outside of my window, was a pale grey object. I stood looking up at it. It wasn't perched on a limb; it was motionless in space, between branches. For some unknown reason I felt that this object knew I was in the window watching it. Suddenly it tipped over on its side and noiselessly floated away in a southerly direction, following the direction of the bigger one.

Now — this is the scary part of it all. Just as I turned to leave the window, another object appears, coming at a height of just about two or three inches above the lawn and right towards me. I was a perfect target. I stood staring at it as it came nearer. It was about three feet long and about six inches in diameter. When it had got to within six or eight feet from me, it slowed down to almost a stop. The middle third of it slid back, and I could see dark mechanical-looking apparatus inside, and two bars, appearing to be of a golden colour, one of them on each side of that opening. They were about ½ (inch? ED.) wide, and a foot long.

Then suddenly, out of nowhere, five or six more of these weapons (?) appeared, just behind the lead one.

The instant that the lead one opened up, I saw a curl of smoke float across the dark opening, and instantly I was struck on the front of my head and rendered unconscious.

I have no memory of leaving the window, or of leaving my room.

I "came to" some time later, and found myself by the front door of the building, and heading down the hall towards my bedroom.

I was aware of what had happened as I stood at the window, and later of being cold, but aware of nothing that had happened in the interval.

The experience left me with a constant headache that lasted for eleven days and nights. From the hairline above the forehead, and towards the back, over an area the size of the palm of my hand, it still hurts every few days, or sometimes every day for a while, or it wakes me up at night. Aspirin is useless.

Needless to say — I did not go to see my doctor! And you know why!

For some reason, Mr. Creighton, I believe that this may be UFO-related, and I know of no-one else who would understand, hence this letter to you.

I have so many questions in my mind, and no answers. But . . . don't we all?

Yours sincerely,

I replied to the lady, and gave her the names and addresses of five highly qualified individuals in the U.S.A. *(all of them FSR Consultants)* to whom she can turn for help and advice.

She has now written me a second letter, dated September 26, and says she may contact the FSR Consultant who lives nearest to her.

Furthermore, she has now given me some additional details which she had not cared to mention in her first letter:-

"There is a bit more to add, that I didn't mention in the first letter. The headaches being of the utmost concern to me, I didn't at first pay much attention to an itchy spot in the left groin-pubic area. I eventually became annoyed and curious, because I couldn't feel anything there. So I took a hand-mirror and looked, and there was a perfect ring, or circle, a bit smaller than a 25-cent piece, and very red inside the ring.

The circle gradually disappeared after a few months. It's been seven months now since the experience.

The redness inside the circle appeared as though suction had been applied, for blood appeared to be there, just under the surface of the skin.

All that has now gone, even the itch, and the headaches are diminishing in frequency.

However, I keep thinking about what these weapons — for that seems to be what they are (and they were following the larger craft that went so close by my window) — could do to the nearby Strategic Air Command Base and the important planes located there.

If they can zap me out, think what they could accomplish out at the S.A.C. Base!

I don't mind if you publish this incident. Just omit the name and address. And I do thank you for your consideration, time and thoughtfulness."

NOTE BY EDITOR

Perhaps we may hear something more about this very strange and disturbing affair when the lady has seen our Consultant. Meanwhile, our readers will not have forgotten that Mr. Dave McMurray of the Bagshot Heath case (FSR 31/2 and 31/6) *has also had his headaches, and has also had his "rings".*

FINDING THE RIGHT ADDRESS

Gordon Creighton

A lady who lives in the British Midlands appears to have had a more than usually impressive sighting of a group of unidentified airborne craft, and in due course we may publish her story.

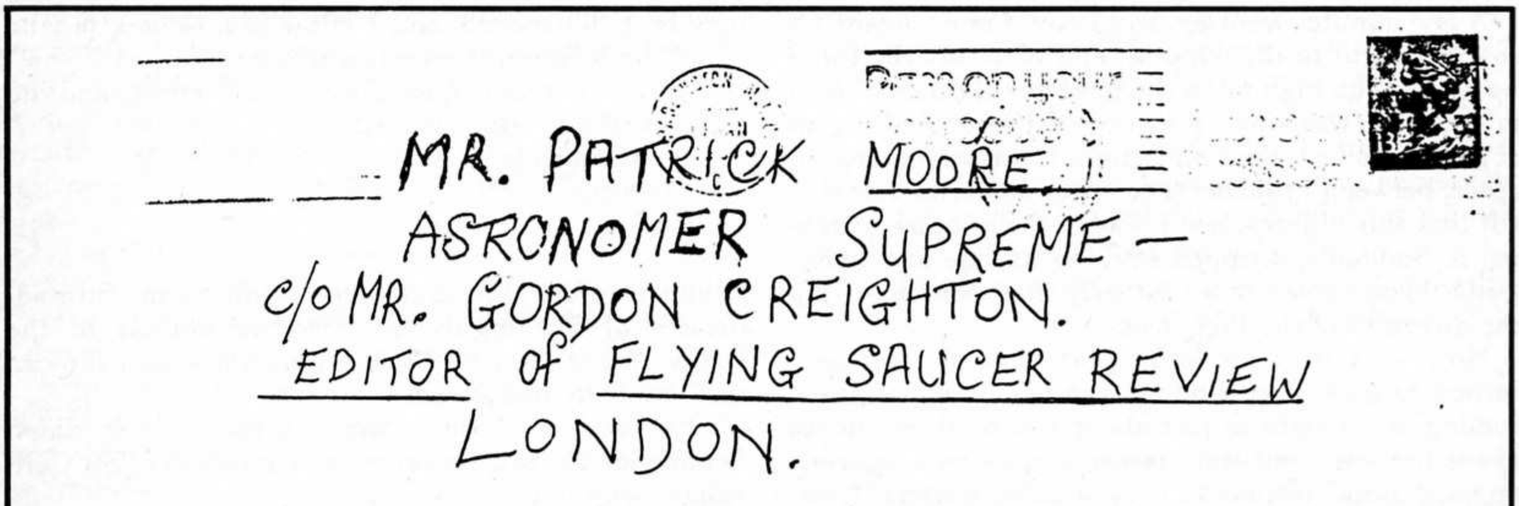
But it happened more than twenty years ago and the poor lady, browbeaten and cowed by her friends and family into imagining that she must have been "going round the bend", has had to keep quiet about it all this time.

She kept quiet about it, apparently, until, at the end of December 1986, she saw the British press reports of the encounter by a Japanese pilot with a huge machine over Alaska.

The lady is not an FSR reader and had assuredly never heard of FSR, but probably saw my name mentioned in the *Sunday Mirror's* account of that sighting. She had, of course, seen the distinguished astronomer Dr Patrick Moore on her television many times over the years, and it seems that she thought that the subject which *he* studies is the same one as *we* study. (And we feel that Dr Moore would be the first person to put her right on *that* score!)

Anyway, most anxious to reach us and tell us at last about her sighting, this is how she addressed her letter!

(Who says the British postal service isn't magnificent?)



TRANSITIONS

HUMAN life, as the Psalmist has told us, is of but little greater duration than the grass. Or of a mushroom — relatively speaking, of course. And we regret that FSR is frequently too poorly informed to be able to report on the deaths of investigators of our subject.

However, today we must mention a number of important names of those who have recently left the field. **Gray Barker,** the American who wrote or published quite a number of books, died, we believe, in 1985.

Jim Lorenzen, of *A.P.R.O.,* passed from this world early in September 1986, and our thoughts go to his wife, Mrs Coral Lorenzen, the indefatigable founder of A.P.R.O., dating, so we understand, from 1952, which would make it probably the first durable UFO study group on the world. We do not know whether A.P.R.O. still exists, for we have heard conflicting reports about it.

In June 1986, the death, at the age of 67, of **Harold Fulton** was announced in the New Zealand newspapers. He was a former New Zealand Air Force man who, between 1941 and 1961, had served in 39 bases throughout the Pacific. In New Zealand he was the pioneer, the first person there to take an interest in UFOs, and in 1952 he set up the *Civilian Saucer Investigation of New Zealand.* He was also MUFON's representative in New Zealand and, needless to add, he was for many years, right up to his death, a reader of FSR. We believe that he had only recently been married again, and we extend our condolences to his widow and family.

Another pioneer UFO investigator who died in 1986 was **Mrs C.N.Nicolaisen ("Nic")** of the *Parthenon Group* in Sweden, and known personally to many of us here in Britain.

And, finally, to our great regret, we have to record the loss of FSR's great expert on photographic matters, **Percy Hennell**, who died on January 23, 1987. To his wife and family too go our warmest supportive thoughts.

It is now more than forty years since the UFO Problem erupted into human consciousness. Inevitably, therefore, all of us who played a part in the early investigation or reporting of the phenomenon will soon have left the stage. — G.C.

POSTSCRIPT

Just as we go to press, we learn also of the passing of Air-Marshal Sir Victor Goddard of the Royal Air Force. He was a reader of FSR for many years past, and I was frequently able to talk with him about our subject, on which he unquestionably knew a great deal more then he felt he was able to reveal. Having had a scientific training, he was very well placed, after his retirement from the Air Force, for engaging in important research into certain lines of Parapsychology and into proofs of human survival after death and various valuable new methods of healing.

Incidentally, I was also fortunate enough to meet his great colleague, Air Chief Marshal of the RAF Lord Dowding, who unquestionably saved Britain from invasion and defeat in 1940 by his wise and stubborn refusal to risk more of his few precious pilots and aeroplanes by sending them over into France when her collapse was clearly unavoidable. Lord Dowding too knew a great deal about the UFOs, and often spoke or lectured on them.

During the course of World War II, Lord Dowding had come into possession of electrifying evidence that his "dead" RAF pilots had survived the process of transition. Curiously enough, the Air-Marshal's ringing affirmation of his belief in survival endeared him not at all to our "Establishment", and probably very little to our public either, despite the fact that our country was nominally at that date (if not now!) considered to be a "Christian" country! Undoubtedly the "Top Brass" looked askance at him as a "nutter", and it was a very long time before his services to Britain received their true recognition. (Just a few months ago, they put him on a new postage stamp!). — G.C.

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SQUADRON OF UFOs OVER PARIS, SEPTEMBER 23, 1986

(Translation from Spanish. AVUI, Barcelona, September 24, 1986.)

At about 7.30 a.m. on September 23, 1986, thousands of Parisians watched with amazement the passage overhead of a formation of ten UFOs. These were described by eyewitnesses as "Luminous points of green and turquoise-coloured light". One eyewitness, an air-pilot named Jean Luc Durand, who observed them from near the Châtelet Bridge over the Seine, said they were travelling at about the usual speed of aircraft in a display or flyover. Many people in the suburb of Montreuil also saw them.

Officials of the Paris Air Traffic Control Centre denied that any manoeuvre or display had been scheduled for that day.

THE VALOUR OF IGNORANCE

Our Aviation Correspondent writes:-
MUFON UFO JOURNAL No. 219 (July 1986) contains a report from a British source on the so-called *"Churchill Papers"*, the small group of perfectly "safe" and "harmless" British Government minutes and notes dating from the early and mid-1950s which go no further than simply confirming that the Prime Minister and some of his officials took an interest at that time in the "Flying Saucer" problem and which, on expiry of the statutory thirty-year period, have recently been made available by the British Public Record Office.

The author of the item seems to have the curious idea that the eminent British scientist and "back-room boffin" Professor Frederick Lindemann (a very great personal friend of Churchill and later to become Lord Cherwell) was Britain's Secretary of State for Air!

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Ormazd and Ahrimãn

Sir, — I would like to comment on the views and ideas expressed by Raymond Cox and Khaled Hamsho in the Mail Bag section of FSR 30/6.

In your editorial comment on Raymond Cox's letter you pointed out that "Ahrimãn is the Lord and Ruler of this world". May I say a little more on that theme. In the old pre-Islamic Persian religion of Zoroastrianism, Ahrimãn (the force of Darkness) and Ormazd (the force of Light) were but parts of Zurvan, the God of Infinite Space and Time. The story goes that Zurvan desired a son, and so he sacrificed for a thousand years. Then a doubt crossed his mind, and this was personified, and was born as Ahrimãn. Because he appeared first, Ahrimãn was given control of the world for nine thousand years. During all that time he must fight with Ahura Mazda (Ormazd). In the future — or rather, in the end, so far as humans are concerned, Ahura Mazda will defeat Ahrimãn and live on after him.

Also, in the same editorial comment you said that "Western Man, however, has chosen to forget this awkward truth — at his own peril". I would like to question this statement. In the Christian Bible (truly a religion of Western Man), in the Book of Job, when God asked Satan where he had been, Satan replied: "From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it." (Job, I:vii.) Your editorial comments quite rightly pointed out that even Jesus acknowledged that the Earth was under diabolical control. In John 14, verse 30, Jesus referred to Satan as "the prince of this world", and in II Corinthians, Ch. 4, verse 4, as "the god of this world". It is indeed true that, as you say, traditional Western religions have preferred to ignore this fact. However, the Evangelist aspect of Christianity has always had a message that the Earth is under devilish control.

With regard to Khaled Hamsho's letter concerning poltergeist phenomena, I note that, in his recent book *"Poltergeist"* (1981), Colin Wilson seems to attribute this phenomenon partly to psychic forces of the human mind* but also to disembodied spirits.
Best wishes,
David Taylor,
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* Yes, but in his latest book of all, *Afterlife* (1985), Colin Wilson, one of the best brains that we have in this sort of research today, comes out flatly and definitely in favour of the view that *poltergeists are entities,* and that the theory of their being due to the

human mind is nonsense. He also comes down flatly, I am glad to note, in favour of the evidence for *reincarnation,* although admitting that, when starting on the book, he had not expected to find this latest evidence so compelling. EDITOR

President Assad a UFO Buff!

Dear Editor, — Of all the ridicule, carefully engineered disinformation, and the entire Pandora's Box of discrediting "authorities" by whom the UFO researchers have been galled over the years, now we have a new "voice" on the scene, published in none other than TIME magazine (issue of October 20, 1986)!

With great irony, we now have the leader of the country ranking second only to the Soviet Union in sponsorship of world-wide terrorism making "candid statements" about UFOs! Intermingled, of course, with denials of any complicity in terrorism, and loaded with venom, we read that President Hafez Assad of Syria, the USSR's favourite client state, is now promulgating his long-standing interest in UFOs and extraterrestrials!

Is it any wonder that, world-wide, credibility in our subject has never even got to first base?

With such friends, who needs enemies?

Sincerely,
Harry Tokarz,
Co-Director,
Canadian UFO Research Network (CUFORN),
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Willowdale,
Ontario, Canada.
October 20, 1986.

We understand that Field-Marshal Lord Idi Amin, VC, DSc, DD, LLB., etc., etc., late of Uganda, is also one of the top cognoscenti on our subject. — ED.

The Mystery Rings

Dear Editor, — With reference to the article on the "Mystery Rings" (Vol. 31, No. 5), I must say that I have heard the symptoms of a heart-attack described as similar to "wind in the stomach", and I have myself had stomach winds which, I was certain, were a heart-attack. But anyone who could attribute those rings in the corn in Southern England to *"wind"* might surely be expected to maintain that the German zeppelin, the *"Hindenburg",* was nothing more than a manifestation of marsh-gas!

I live in Africa, a continent of winds (leaving aside for the moment our *"winds of change"* and our political "winds") — from the odd tornado now and then to the *"dust-devil",* which can be a mighty thing sixty-five feet across or a mere six inches. But all of them travel "with their foot on the ground", and the large ones make a tremendous noise, reminiscent of the famous old British steam-locomotive, *"The Royal Scot",* arriving at Euston Station. Furthermore, whilst one might expect them to screw up a wheatfield from one end to the other, they do not in fact do so, since, like all whirling winds, they draw everything *upward,* and whilst your wheat could be left just fractionally higher due to the effect of the wind, *it would not be flattened or "swirled".*

I have indeed had my car spun around 180° by such a large *"dust-devil",* but it left no sign of its passage on the adjacent vegetation.

One of the funniest sights I ever saw was when a giant *"dust-devil"* swept across a fowl-run, and denuded it totally of its feathered occupants who — some sixty yards from where they had made their involuntary "ascent" — burst out of the *"dust-devil"* at some fifty feet above the ground with a cacophony of squawking the like of which I had never heard in my life. Not to mention the consternation reigning on the ground beneath, where the owner and his family were dashing around trying to catch the dazed birds.

(As is well known, a horse designed by a committee will always emerge as a *camel.* And any decision based on such a consensus can only be equally laughable.)

And I'll go further than that! Yes, *"dust-devils"* may sometimes travel — as I have seen them do — *in a group of three or four, strung out in a diagonal line!* BUT NEVER A GIANT WITH FOUR OUT-RIDERS — LET ALONE PLACED AT SUCH ACCURATE DISTANCES AROUND IT. AND (MIND YOU!) NOT ONCE — BUT TIME AFTER TIME AFTER TIME, OVER A PERIOD OF YEARS, AND MORE OR LESS IN THE SAME PLACE AND AT THE SAME TIME OF THE YEAR!

Furthermore, anything larger than an atom — and I'm not all that sure even about an atom either — has its own individual characteristics. No rock, plant, insect, or animal or human is *exactly* the same as any other — not even so-called identical twins. All is chaotic. With your knowledge of Astronomy, you will know that the Universe is just about as well-ordered as a truckload of bricks falling off a cliff.

No. This phenomenon of the "swirled rings" is too similar, too persistent, a manifestation, and one that has as it were all the attributes of a *"fingerprint",* associated in some way with an *artifact* of some sort.

One hears of plenty of reports of UFOs becoming either visible or non-visible to the human eye (Unified Field?) but it does not necessarily follow — indeed, quite the opposite is the case — that this would alter either mass or displacement. All this, anyway, could be simply a part of the *"UFO Mystery".*

But whatever the answer may be, there's one thing at any rate that it definitely could never be, *and that is wind!*

It may well be that we shall not learn the answers to the *"UFO Mystery"* for many centuries yet. But, having seen UFOs myself, and when in the company of equally sober witnesses, I know for a certainty that they do exist. I have even seen them being chased by fighter aircraft — which they *"left standing".* So I know that they are real enough; real enough to frighten our Governments. As for *what, whence, how* and *why* — for these I have no answers, any more than anybody else.

May I add that I read with very great interest your article on the *Jinns* in FSR 29/1, with its extracts from the *Holy Qur'an.* I myself have many Muslin friends, and have my own copy of the *Qur'an,* so I found it all the more interesting to see such an item in FSR.

Yours sincerely,
Ray Martin,
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8700 Republic of South Africa.
October 5, 1986.

P.S. Snodland was flattened by a German *V-1* in 1944. I'm glad to know it has risen again from the ashes!

Dead Birds, Dead Mice, etc.

Dear Sir, — The article in FSR31/6 about dead birds is reminiscent of the well-known report from Warminster in 1965 when a flock of pigeons was allegedly killed there in mysterious circumstances. There were also reports of "great walls of sound that made houses vibrate", etc, and some people were said to have heard a high-pitched droning noise coming from the woods where the pigeons fell to the ground. In at least one of the many UFO sighting reports from around Warminster during that period it was claimed that loud sounds and vibrations had been heard.

So perhaps could the force-field of a UFO have caused the deaths of the pigeons at Warminster and the starlings in your recent report?

There was also a Warminster report of large numbers of dead mice having been found in houses where the sound of the "Thing" had been heard, the mice being *riddled with small holes.*

It is also reputed that the wreckage of the plane in which Captain Mantell crashed when chasing a saucer was *"riddled with holes and reduced to tiny fragments".*

Yours sincerely,
Stephen McMurray,
41 Copperfield Street,
Belfast,
Northern Ireland.
November 14, 1986.

Yes. All these reports are well known, and have been mentioned at various times in FSR, and we had them in mind when publishing the recent story about the dead starlings in Wales. We have no idea how reliable any of these stories are. But I understand that our own scientists have had remarkable results in producing waves which (be they magnetic, or ultrasonic, or something else) can kill or disintegrate at a distance. So, while I emphasise that I know of no proof *of any of these stories about dead mice and pigeons and Capt. Mantell's plane, I do agree that we have enough hints and rumours to indicate that there are UFOs equipped with forces of some such kind. Incidentally, as regards Captain Mantell, we also heard reports (never provable, of course) that not merely his plane, but also his* body, *was shredded and riddled with small holes, and that the U.S. Air Force authorities refused to let his family view the body. — EDITOR*

From John Keel

Dear Gordon, — FSR 31/6 arrived this week and was full of good material. I am struggling to write a book on Quantum Physics, and on how all phenomena actually represent the real reality, while our perception of reality is all askew. So I was particularly interested in Paul Whitehead's piece on Dr Paul Davies etc.

I really think we are going to figure everything out by the end of this century, and that the effect will be the total dissolution of our civilization (a process or "deprocess" which is already well under way). Time is going backwards now!

July 1987 will mark the 40th anniversary of Kenneth Arnold's sighting. I now have a copy of Arnold's report to the F.B.I., and also another report, also from the F.B.I. files, of a prospector who, independently, witnessed the same sighting, from the ground, while Kenneth Arnold was flying overhead!

Arnold was a careful observer, and his report is quite lengthy. If you are interested, I will send you a xerox copy of it for use in your July '87 issue.

The UFO scene here is very static. The only big event this fall was a Bigfoot attack in West Virginia. Two of the animals scared two hunters badly.

"Clear Intent" has had a modest success here, but the publishers spent a lot of money promoting it, putting the authors on radio and TV programmes, etc. With all that publicity, the book should have done better. I have never even seen a copy of it!

You've been doing a great job with FSR, and I hope you have plenty of volunteers to help with proof-reading, etc.

It was *ten years ago* that I was in London, and met with you and your secret society. I was in rather poor health at that time, and am still not too energetic.

With all best wishes,
Yours,
John A. Keel,
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U.S.A.
December 14, 1986.

We are always delighted to hear from old friends. And I know that every FSR reader will join with me in wishing John Keel all the very, very best of luck, and, above all, improved health.

We certainly shall look forward to being able to publish Kenneth Arnold's famous report in due course. And, incidentally, from what John Keel has told us, it looks likely that we shall see the publication of a book in Britain soon which will contain reprints of his own articles in FSR during the 1960s and 1970s. — EDITOR

Support

Dear Sir, — I want to commend you and your staff at FSR for doing a consistently excellent job in disseminating information on the UFO Phenomena. I feel that you are providing a most balanced and intelligent approach to the whole thing and that you are on the correct course.

For the first time in the 40 years of my pursuing this subject, I find that, in the "Follow-Up To the Bagshot Close Encounter" (FSR 31/6) you have published a key piece of information.

Yours sincerely,
Thomas A. Klopp,
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Ventura, CA 93004,
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January 3, 1987.

Support

Dear Editor, — Herewith my renewal. You are doing a great job with FSR since taking over from Charles Bowen. Keep up the good work. We need you. Here is an extra $5.00 to help!

Sincerely,
Dave Webb,
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December 1986.

Ego-Trips

Dear Editor, — Your thought-provoking and *so professional* magazine serves a very important function, in that it's about the only publication left that doesn't focus on boring ego-trips.

I enclose my renewal. Best for you in '87, and hang on there!

From a long-time reader,
Yours sincerely,
Myrtis Pebley,
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January 14, 1987.

From a Reader who perceives the Truth

Dear Editor, — I read with interest your Editorial entitled *"Enigma & Menace"* (FSR 32/1).

I have noticed many times in FSR the subtle message now put across regarding the dangerous influences of what you term "entities", and their effect on man's development and history. The "entities" you refer to have many names: *"The silent Ones"; "The Secret Chiefs"; "The Dark Gods"; "These Hidden Masters"; "The Unknown Ones"*, etc., etc.

They have been alluded to by many farsighted thinkers: H.P. Lovecraft; Charles Fort; Jacques Vallée; John Keel; Nesta Webster; Commander William Carr; Geoff Gilbertson, and many, many more.

The malignant influence of these entities and their effect on the evolution of Man throughout history *is there to be seen by those who know what to look for.* Few people can guess the *true* reality and nature of these entities.

No Government or organization can fight what Geoff Gilbertson called the "U.T. (Ultraterrestrial) Disease". Only at the INDIVIDUAL level can these entities be engaged. They feed off, and influence, the individual. But, when that individual is aware of the nature of these entities, then he can defend himself mentally and psychically.

The greatest weapon in mankind's armoury is awareness. FSR is spreading that awareness. And this can only be good for the future. As the saying goes: 'from little acorns, great oaks grow'.

Yours sincerely,

Ray Quickfall,
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December 1986.

Yes. Would that it were so! The founders of Christianity, and in particular Jesus of Nazareth and St. Paul, knew all this, and their principal aim was to awaken mankind to a realization of its dire situation. The fact that virtually nowhere today, among the warring sects of "Christianity", is there any longer any understanding of the danger, shows the degree to which the "Christian Rescue Attempt" (for such it was!) has failed. A great many of the fellows in our pulpits today seem a lot keener on spreading Marxist atheism and claptrap propaganda designed to stir up envy and social strife rather than in the preaching of any spiritual message, which is what mankind needs so desperately. (Indeed, such terms as "mystical" *or* "spiritual" are rated nowadays as "dirty words".)

Things are assuredly no better in the intolerant religion of Islam, where the Sufi Mystics alone understand the situation. But the Sufis have never been anything but heretics and 'voices crying in the wilderness', many of them being crucified (like Al-Hallaj in 922 A.D.) or flayed alive (like 'Ain-al-Qudat al-Hamadhani in Baghdad in 931 A.D.), or like Al-Suhrawardi- al-Maqtul, savagely butchered in Aleppo by Saladin's son Al-Malik Al-Zahir in 1191.

Probably the Hindus are the only ones with a good understanding of these matters, since almost all that we know about the Chakram Centres *in Man has come down to us in Sanskrit texts. I have frequently been able to discuss the acute dangers of present trends in the world with educated Hindu Swamis, all of whom fully perceive what is afoot — nothing less than a massive onslaught against humanity.*

What is taking place today in Northern Ireland (alleged "Christians" murdering alleged "Christians") and in Lebanon ("Muslims" and "Christians joyfully slaying each other, and also alleged "Muslims" murdering alleged "Muslims" !) shows the state which we have reached, as does the picture in the killing-fields before Basra in the Iran-Iraq War. And in the street-battles now raging more and more frequently in our own Capital and elsewhere in Britain, we see ever more plainly the shape of things to come, when general mayhem and violence will be released on an unprecedented scale.

(Not long ago, when addressing the Sixth-Formers in a British School, I happened to say: "You will see the Four Horsemen!" The puzzled expressions showed that few of them had the slightest grasp of what I was talking about. The classroom notice-boards in that school were full of Marxist propaganda material designed to achieve the collapse of our civilization and the military/political victory of the Soviet Union.)

As adjuncts in the preparation for all this, the dangerous narcotic drugs, *along with certain types of music,* play a crucial role, by opening up the lower *Chakram* (चक्रम्) *Centres* in the human body and thereby paving the way for outright possession *by the Demonic Forces from the Lower Levels. But — as the saying goes —* "You ain't seen nuthin' yet, chums!" *However, here in Ealing, London, we have just had a most nauseating and most typical case, in which a group of drug- and devil-crazed thugs committed burglary, rape, sodomy, and murderous assault, against the minister and his whole family in a vicarage just around the corner from where the assailants lived. — EDITOR*

THE A.P.E.N. "SMEAR" ATTEMPT

THE EDITOR THANKS ALL THOSE WHO HAVE SENT IN MATERIAL ON THIS MATTER. IT IS BEING STUDIED AND WILL BE SUBMITTED TO OTHER QUARTERS FOR AN OPINION.

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